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Random Notes

Canada's peace time army gave some indication of its quality during the recent calamitous flood disasters on the Pacific coast.

Following a break in the western approach to the bridge over the Capilano River, sappers of the Royal Canadian Engineers called from their camp at Chilliwack, erected a Bailey bridge 150 feet in length in just over eight hours, spanning the 138 feet gap torn out by flood waters. Working from 9 p.m. on Sunday, November 27th, until 5:04 a.m. on Monday, traffic was resumed 12 hours after the men, in charge of a 23-year-old lieutenant, arrived on the scene with their knock-down steel span.

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It appears as though the experts again disagree. Last week, officials of the miners' union, District 18, stated that increased wages will be demanded at the expiration of the present contract in February next, because of the rise in the cost of living. Conversely, on Friday, the Bureau of Statistics announced the fall of a half point in the cost of living index for October, marking the third successive monthly decline in the prices barometer.

It can be argued from the western miners' point of view, that if there is any decline in prices across the dominion, as stated by the Bureau, it is not noticeable here. Promises that devaluation of the British pound would result in lower costs on imports from the sterling areas have yet to be fulfilled to any appreciable extent. On the other hand, devaluation of the Canadian dollar in terms of United States currency brought almost instant repercussions — on the higher scale, naturally.

As apart from citrus fruits, take coffee as an instance. A well known advertised brand has advanced 13 cents per lb., which represents 26 cents on the dollar at its original price level; yet we are told the Canadian dollar is at a discount of only 10 cents. While on the subject of beverages, imports of tea from the sterling areas of their production have shown no proportionate drop in price, relative to the 23 per cent we were informed was the differential between the pound and Canadian dollar values. One internationally known brand makes a great showing by advertising a drop of 10 cents per lb. Others, more modestly, announce a reduction of five cents, which at the original price is a fraction less than five per cent on the dollar.

Of course, we are informed, there are the excise duties, sales tax and freight charges to be taken into consideration, though it was not possible to be ignorant of these expenditures, especially freight charges. But for the far larger portion of its transportation, tea travels by ocean freight in ships' bottoms, and Canadian ocean-going shipping is reported to be idle by reason of stiff competition from British freighters, which are quoting rates of $4.50 a ton as against $10 a ton needed to operate Canadian shipping. Stay! we're getting into deep water. Better to dry up or we're liable to be all wet.

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NEW GENERAL MANAGER FOR CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

D. V. Gonder, formerly assistant general manager, Canadian National Railways Western Region, has been appointed general manager, with headquarters in Winnipeg. He succeeds H. H. Sparling who has retired, after close to 50 years of railroading, most of it in the west.

Delia Board of Trade

The regular monthly meeting, held in the Rest Room on Tuesday, November 29th, was opened by the president, J. B. McCully, at 8:30 p.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, and it was moved by W. H. Gaetz, seconded by W. J. Tabor, that they be corrected, in that I. J. Olsen seconded W. J. Tabor's motion in regard to post office hours. Car.

Mr. Larder reported that he had attended the Council meeting, and that the Council had agreed to assist in obtaining a lot or lots for the erection of a Community Hall and would lend their support to the building of such a Hall.

Mr. Larder said that Canadian Utilities would replace bulbs on decorative street lights. Moved by Mr. Larder and seconded by Mrs. Barss, that the Secretary write Canadian Utilities to replace the burnt out bulbs. Car.

Moved by Mr. Larder, seconded by Mrs. Lowe, that of the $27.00 profit from the Bridge Drive, $13.50 be given Albert Mason to further his work, and $13.50 be earmarked for skating rink expenses. Carried.

A number of merchant members offered donations for a raffle in aid of the skating rink, and Mrs. Lowe with Mrs S. Thompson were placed in charge of ticket distribution.

Date of next meeting to be January 3rd, 1950.

Meeting adjourned and lunch served by the ladies.—Cor.

Farrell Lake

Mr and Mrs. Raye Sweepe entertained a number of friends on Friday night for seven o'clock supper. The evening was spent playing cards. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Art. Stensland, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Keast and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cammidge and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Dahl and family.

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Mr. and Mrs. Martin Mennis, and son Harold, drove out from Hanna to visit Mr. and Mrs. Deigle last Saturday afternoon.

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Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cammidge and family, were visitors in Drumheller on last Tuesday afternoon.

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Mr. Alex. B. Jamieson, of Athabaska, arrived on Saturday to visit his daughter, Mrs. Oscar Dahl.

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Miss Gloria Phillips spent the week end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Phillips.

LIQUID FERTILIZERS

The chemical nutrients in the low analysis liquid fertilizers, now on the market, are about 30 times as expensive as the same nutrients in the common granular fertilizers.

This information is given by the Alberta Advisory Fertilizer Committee. Tests at the Universities of Alberta and Saskatchewan have not shown any beneficial results from the application of liquid fertilizers to seed grain of cereals. The committee suggests that farmers trying liquid fertilizers should do so only on a small scale in comparison with ordinary granular fertilizers.

Spanish Grains

Total output of wheat, rye, barley, oats and corn in Spain in 1949 is estimated at four million meteric tons, compared with 5.4 million tons in 1948. In the first quarter of 1949, Spanish imports, almost entirely of Argentine wheat, were appreciably larger than in the same period of 1948.

ASSISTS JUNIOR RED CROSS CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

The new Junior Red Cross Crippled Children's Hospital now under construction in Calgary, is being built to serve the needs of all Alberta—the original construction cost has risen by leaps and bounds and the end is not yet in sight.

For the past two years the Calgary Active Club has assisted in this endeavor through the sale of Hospital Brick Certificates. This year, to increase the sale of these Certificates, each purchaser earns a chance to win the 1949 Active Club Model Home... this house, recently exhibited by the Calgary House Builders' Association at the Better Homes Exposition in Calgary, is valued at $10,000.00, and is now located on 19th Avenue, at ~~21st~~ Street South West.

The Certificates sell at One Dollar each, and may be obtained locally.

THE WORLD OF WHEAT

By H. G. L. Strange
Director "The Crop Testing Plan"

Time For Good Seed

Harvesting is over. Grain is gathered in, and farmers will soon begin to lay their plans for next year's crops. The first consideration must be the kind of crops to sow and the kind of seed to use. More and more farmers are beginning to realize the high value to them of the use each year of some Registered seed, for it is the highest quality seed obtainable.

A few bushels of Registered seed, sown with care on a few acres, will provide larger quantities for sowing the following year on a larger acreage, which will all return to the farmer the original cost of seed over and over again in improved yields and in higher grades. Because of drought in some areas and frost in others, Registered seed is none too plentiful this year. Those farmers, therefore, who are considering the use of Registered seed — and they could not consider the use of anything better — should place their orders for Registered and Certified seed with their Elevator Agents as quickly as possible; all so as to give seed growers time to know the demand and so to make preparations for cleaning their seed, for sacking it, and having it sealed by Government Inspectors.

Junior Farmers Visit Ottawa

"I do not know of any place where instruction in the fundamental problems of life and the enrichment of mind and spirit can be more readily accomplished than on the farm," the Hon. Milton F. Gregg, V.C., told an eager group of Junior Farm club members fresh from participation at the Royal Winter Fair, Toronto, at a luncheon in their honor at the Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, on Friday, Nov. 18.

Deputizing for the Rt. Hon. James G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, who was unable to attend, the Minister of Veterans Affairs emphasized a remark of His Excellency the Governor General, to whom with Lady Alexander, the group had been presented at Rideau Hall in the morning. Viscount Alexander had commented on "the fortunate boys and girls who find themselves closely associated with agriculture."

Mr. Gregg urged them to guard well their heritage, and help to conserve the food producing resources of the country. He also told the young farmers of tomorrow that "governments are not just buildings, laws and taxes, but that governments are people"; and pointed out that they would soon have their part to play "year in and year out" in seeing that Canada, and eventually the world, is well governed.

After the luncheon, and before leaving for their homes in various parts of Canada, the Junior Farmers attended the afternoon sitting of the House of Commons, and toured the Houses of Parliament, including the Peace Tower, and also the Memorial Chamber.

Establishing a Hedge

Lethbridge Experimental Station
Weekly Letter.

A hedge, properly attended, can be very attractive, and will add beauty to the home. However, one which is not looked after, will become straggly and detract from the surroundings.

In establishing a hedge, the first point to be considered is the type of hedge desired — low, medium, or high, and to select the right species and varieties to produce that type. The preparation of the soil, too, must be considered. In dry land areas it should be summerfallowed the year previous to planting, as a means of conserving moisture to start the young shrubs. On irrigated land the soil should be worked into a loose, friable condition.

Hedges may be grown from seed, but best results are obtained from transplanting started seedlings, and these may be procured from any nursery.

Care should be taken in transplanting to keep the roots moist at all times, and to avoid damage to the roots. The plants should be set out 10 to 20 inches apart, depending on the species of plant and the type of hedge desired, and to a depth about 1 inch deeper than they were growing originally. The roots should be spread out into a natural position and the soil pressed in firmly with the heel. The soil should then be thoroughly soaked. All varieties, except evergreens, should be cut back in proportion to the amount of root damage. This results in quicker and stronger rooting, and in bushier plants, which will form a thicker hedge. For example, caragana transplants should be cut back 4 to 6 inches from the ground.

During the first year or two of growth, all long shoots should be pruned back to maintain the bushy character of the plants. Later, the purpose of pruning is only to maintain the desired shape which usually should be as close to the natural shape as possible. A hedge may be clipped at any time during the season, but least injury to the plant is experienced after early July when the period of rapid growth has passed.

Soil fertility may be maintained by applying a top dressing of well rotted manure each fall and raking it into the soil.

Searle Fall Moisture Report

(Months of August, September, October, and up to November 20th, 1949).

The rains which have occured during these months, that is from August 1st to November 20th (after harvest and up to freeze-up), have averaged 71 per cent of normal for the three provinces combined—Alberta, 58 per cent of normal; Saskatchewan, 72 per cent; and Manitoba, 101 per cent. These fall rains constitute the moisture reserves available for the coming crop that will be seeded on stubble land.

Summerfallowed land, however, contains in addition to these fall moisture reserves, the rains that fell during the past growing season, and during the fall before that. Combining all these rains together, summerfallowed land will have moisture reserves, averaging the three prairie provinces together, amounting to 73 per cent of normal, Alberta 64 per cent of normal, Saskatchewan 74 per cent, and Manitoba 92 per cent.

Combining stubble and summerfallowed land together, it means that the total moisture reserves available for the next crop for the three prairie provinces combined will average 72 per cent of normal at the time the crop is to be sown next April and May, compared with 64 per cent last year — Alberta 61 per cent of normal, compared with 65 per cent last year; Saskatchewan 73 per cent of normal, compared with 60 per cent last year; and Manitoba 96 per cent of normal, compared with 79 per cent last year. (Snow which falls after freeze-up and until the spring thaws, it has been found, has no material effect on adding to reserve moisture in the soil).

All this means that to obtain an average yield per acre for the crop of 1950, better than average rains will have to fall during the next growing season—that is, from April 1st to August 1st, 1950.

SEEDTIME and HARVEST

By
DR. F. J. GREANEY
Director,
Line Elevators Farm Service,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Better Weed Control

Reports presented at the Third Western Canadian Weed Control Conference, held recently at Edmonton, show that very substantial progress is being made in this country toward better farm weed control.

Chemical Treatments. One of the most remarkable recent achievements in the history of prairie agriculture is the development and use of chemicals, particularly 2,4-D, for controlling weeds in growing crops. The rapidity with which this practice has been adopted by western farmers is almost sensational. In 1947, not more than 500 thousand acres of grain crops in the Prairie Provinces were treated with 2,4-D. This increased to 4 million acres in 1948; and, in 1949, to 8½ million acres, or 21 per cent of the entire grain crop acreage. Thus, within 3 years the use of 2,4-D has become a well established farm practice in Western Canada.

The results of recent research and wide field experience show that many encouraging things are in prospect for farm weed control with chemicals. Two of the most important of these are (1) chemicals which can be used to control weeds not affected by 2,4-D, and (2) improvement in methods and machinery for applying chemicals, particularly for the control of weeds in growing crops.

Cultural Treatments. Again, the importance in weed control of good cultural methods and cropping practices must be forcibly emphasized. First of all, it is known that 2,4-D treatments are not nearly as effective in *eradicating* weeds as they are in *controlling* them. Second, there are a number of destructive weeds which cannot be controlled by chemical treatment. If western farmers are to win the final battle against weeds they must continue to make full use of the "old reliables," namely, good cultural and cropping practices, good seed, and soil fertility maintenance.

For the latest information on chemical and other weed control methods consult your local Agricultural Representative, or write to Line Elevator Farm Service, Winnipeg or Calgary.

Building Defenses At School

U.S.D.A. Photograph by Forsythe

A balanced diet of nutritious food builds strong, healthy bodies which are well fortified to fight the ever-present menace of tuberculosis. This youngster chooses her school lunch wisely, knowing that good food is a weapon against illness and disease. Voluntary tuberculosis associations, which are supported by the annual sale of Christmas Seals, sponsor health education programs in our schools.

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An Appeal For Children

THE WAR LEFT LARGE NUMBERS of people in Europe and in Asia homeless and without means of earning a living. The great social problem arising from the plight of these people has been to some extent solved, with many thousands of displaced persons finding homes and becoming re-established in this country, and in other lands not ravaged by war. There are however, still many who have been less fortunate, and these include millions of children who, as a result of the war, live under conditions of privation and misery which it is difficult for people in a country such as ours to imagine.

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U.N. Has Dealt With Problem

Through the International Children's Emergency Fund the United Nations has dealt with this problem, providing shelter and care for great numbers of homeless destitute children. This work requires a considerable amount of money, and from time to time funds have run low, threatening the success of this great humanitarian effort. Canada is among the countries which have been giving financial support to the undertaking, and in proportion to the population these contributions have compared favorably with those of other countries. This year, the federal government is giving $1,075,000 to the fund, which represents a considerable increase over last year's contribution of $400,000.

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Is Supported In Canada

In addition to the amount given by the government, appeals are made under the auspices of the United Nations Appeal for Children, which is an organization incorporated under Canadian charter. This appeal for donations from individual citizens receives the support of many organizations in Canada, including the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, the National Council of Women and various service clubs, churches and other bodies. In all, some $2,000,000 was put into the fund last year by Canada, but it has been pointed out that nearly $10,000,000 was spent here in the same year by the Emergency Fund, for supplies with which to carry on the work. That the children of today are the citizens of tomorrow is a truism which is frequently heard. The millions of children in Europe and in Asia whom the Children's Emergency Fund seeks to help will, in a few years, be adults whose attitudes and convictions are in a measure being determined now. On humanitarian grounds, and in the interests of the future relations between the people of those lands and our own, Canadians should not neglect the opportunity to support the Emergency Fund as long as that type of help is required.

Community Spirit And Ingenuity Shown By Small Hamlet

WEYBURN, Sask.—An outstanding example of community spirit and ingenuity is being shown at Huntoon, Sask., some 35 miles east of Weyburn.

A hamlet with a population of 50 or 60, Huntoon is off the main roads of the district and during the winter depends strictly on the C.N.R. Regina-Northgate line for service as the roads usually are snowbound.

In order to give the folk thereabouts something to do during the winter months, the people decided to build a curling rink. Since money was lacking, they went ahead with plans to construct the rink using bales of straw for the walls of the building.

The walls of the curling rink are some three feet thick, and once the weather turns colder, water will be sprayed on the walls to freeze the straw so that it won't fall all over the ice.

All in all, 800 bales of straw were used for the walls of the building. Then poles were strung across the walls and hay was used as roofing.

The curling rink, which will house one sheet of ice, is 150 feet by 18 feet. Enough room is being left on each side of the sheet of ice for spectators. A dressing room constructed of wood measures 16 by 18 feet.

Community spirit did not stop with the construction of the rink. Money was needed to purchase rocks for the rink and so once again the people got together.

They presently are touring the countryside staging a three-act comedy entitled "Silas Smidge from Turnip Ridge". Proceeds from the staging of the play in surrounding towns and villages will be used to purchase the needed curling rocks. Thirteen persons take part in the play which is under the direction of Mrs. Len Knibbs.

Leo La Valley and Howard Holmes have had much to do in the organizing of the building of the rink.

W. Thornton is president of the curling club and C. Burrill is secretary.

GEMS OF THOUGHT

HUMAN CAPACITIES

Men are often capable of greater things than they perform. They are sent into the world with bills of credit, and seldom draw to their full extent.—Walpole.

As the soil, however rich it may be, cannot be productive without culture, so the mind without cultivation can never produce good fruit.
—Seneca.

The block of granite which was an obstacle in the pathway of the weak, becomes a steppingstone in the pathway of the strong.—Thomas Carlyle.

The mind, unmastered by passions, is a very citadel, for a man has no fortress more impregnable wherein to find refuge and be untaken forever.—Marcus Aurelius.

We never know how high we are
Till we are called to rise;
And then, if we are true to plan,
Our statures touch the skies.
—Emily Dickinson.

The human capacities are enlarged and perfected in proportion as humanity gains the true conception of man and God.—Mary Baker Eddy.

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Team Champions Of Farm Clubs

Youthful provincial champions of Alberta walked away with national honours on three of the eight projects of the Annual Contest for Boys' and Girls' Farm Clubs judged at the Royal Winter Fair at Toronto. Alberta teams led all others in judging beef cattle, food and clothing. Ontario teams led in dairy cattle and swine; Manitoba in poultry and seed grain; and British Columbia in seed potatoes.

National championship teams were as follows:

Dairy Cattle—Ontario:
Merlin E. Wilson, Merrickville; Bill Armstrong, Spencerville.
Highest individual score: Merlin E. Wilson.

Beef Cattle—Alberta:
Alan G. Wilson, Duhamel; Stanley Gould, Rosalind.
Highest individual score: Allan G. Wilson.

Swine—Ontario:
Howard G. Trewin, Blackstock; Donald Prescott, Burketon.
Highest individual score: Howard G. Trewin.

Poultry—Manitoba:
Melva F. Brown and Harriet R. Brown, Souris.
Highest individual score: Melva Brown.

Potatoes—British Columbia:
C. J. Helsdon, Kersley; Andrew Carnegie, Quesnel.
Highest individual score: James Helsdon.

Seed Grain—Manitoba:
Peter L. Dyck and Diedrich Wiebe, Winkler.
Highest individual score: Diedrich Wiebe.

Clothing—Alberta:
Helen Nelson and Dorothy Olsen, Veteran.
Highest individual score: Helen Nelson.

Food—Alberta:
Delores Gutrath, Cluny; Gwendolyn Koefoed, Gleichen.
Highest individual score: Gwendolyn Koefoed.

PREFERENCE CAN BE EASILY UNDERSTOOD

LONDON.—The leader of the Opposition in the Australian Parliament, Hon. Robert Menzies, made an unusual appeal to 500 electors at a meeting in Wagga, New South Wales, according to the Australian Department of Information.

"If you throw anything at me," he said, "let it be a firm tomato. I take no exception to firm tomatoes, but I hate them when they are ripe and squelchy."

NO SONG, NO WORK

SOMERVILLE, Tenn.—There's an especially stubborn mule on the W. F. Vinson farm. You have to keep singing to him or he refuses to pull the plow. 2858

Sees Merit In Selection Of No. 1 Canadian Farmer

SASKATOON—The revival recently of the "master farm movement", and selection of "No. 1 Canadian farmer" at the Ottawa Winter Fair are favored by two Saskatchewan agriculturists.

An Ottawa report said the directors of the Ottawa fair selected Dr. E. S. Archibald, director of the Dominion Experimental Farms as Canada's No. 1 farmer.

Professor J. G. Rayner, director of extension at the University of Saskatchewan, and once a judge in the Movement and Professor E. A. Hardy, agricultural engineering specialist, said the Movement has "considerable merit" and should be revived.

To make the competition fair, master movements will have to be extended to all Canadian provinces before a top-ranking farmer can be selected, Professor Rayner said.

The movements were sponsored in the four Western provinces in the early '30's by a now defunct publication, the Nor'West Farmer. They were started to encourage and recognize good farming and good rural citizenship.

FUNNY And OTHERWISE

A rather callow youth, just starting out on his career of "dates", remarked to the girl: "I went out with a nurse yesterday."

"Never mind, dear," replied the girl. "Perhaps in a year or two your mother will let you out without one."

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"For the life of me I cannot understand why my daughter wastes so much time and money on her face," remarked her father to a visitor.

"H'm!" exclaimed the visitor. "It's plain to see!"

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Two young doctors met for the first time since they were at college together.

"I'm specializing in nerve treatment," said one.

"And have you had any success?" asked the other.

"I should say so," was the reply. "When I had finished with my last patient he asked me to lend him ten pounds."

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First Woman: "Since her husband died she has been on the look-out for a "general'."

Second Woman: "How ambitious! I thought she would have been satisfied with a sergeant-major."

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Can you think of a word starting with the letter "q" that hasn't "u" as the second letter? We can't. Quaint? A queer question, you think? Quite.

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Student—To whom was Minerva married?

Professor—My boy, when will you learn that Minerva was the Goddess of Wisdom? She wasn't married.

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At Deauville, where most of the children you meet have perfect manners, a smartly dressed, motherly woman encountered a small boy who had a bad case of the sniffles.

"Have you no handkerchief, my child?" she prompted bending over him.

"Yes, I have," the boy answered severely, "but I don't lend it to anyone who asks for it."

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"Doctor, remember last summer you recommended I go out with girls to get my mind off my business?"

"That's right. How did it work?"

"Fine, but now can you recommend something to get my mind back on my business?"

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We like the story of seasick passenger, making his first trans-Atlantic crossing in rough seas, who was leaning over the rail, when an officer stopped and said: "I'm sorry, but you can't be sick here."

The passenger regarded the officer a long moment, then said, sadly: "Watch".

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Doctor: "Are you taking the medicine regularly?"

Patient: "I tasted it and decided that I'd rather have the cough?"

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From a schoolboy's essay on legs: "Legs is what if you ain't got two pretty good ones you can't get to first base."

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"Was ye at the meeting last night?"

"I was."

"Wasn't yon a great speech the candidate made?"

"It was—an' aboot as sincere as a commercial traveller's handshake."

Primitive manufacture of iron from ore is believed to have begun well before 1,300 B.C.

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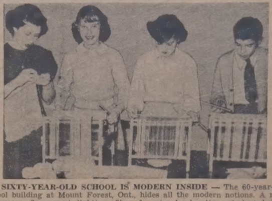

SIXTY-YEAR-OLD SCHOOL IS MODERN INSIDE — The 60-year-old school building at Mount Forest, Ont., hides all the modern notions. A new classroom, fluorescent lighting, films for visual education, student hobby displays, including oil painting, loom weaving and model aircraft, were all part of an open night held recently for citizens of the town.—S.N.S. photo.

Wheat Queen Only Needs To Win Title Once More To Obtain Permanent Possession Of Trophy

CHICAGO.—Canadian farmers, one of them a grey-haired, 56-year-old woman, won three of the major grain championships at the International Hay and Grain show here.

Mrs. Amy Kelsey of Erickson, B.C., won the title of wheat queen, premier award of the show. Sydney H. Pawlowski of Spedden, Alta., was named the king.

The barley king award was won by L. E. Peterson of Victor, Mont.

Mrs. Kelsey's victory brought Canada her first major victory in the hay and grain show, held in conjunction with the International Livestock exposition. Canada also has scattered entries in the livestock classes but grain is traditionally her strong point.

Mrs. Kelsey, who grows her wheat on an experimental plot on her ranch in the Kootenays' is the only woman who has ever won the coveted wheat prize at the annual show in Chicago. She also took the award in 1946. She was not present to see her exhibit take top honors.

The British Columbia woman's sample of reward hard red spring wheat, weighing 66 pounds to the bushel, won her a second world title within two weeks. She was named world wheat champion Nov. 15 at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto.

Mrs. Kelsey needs to win the crown only one more time to obtain permanent possession of the Union stockyard and Transit company trophy, which must be won three times to be retained by the exhibitor.

Pawlowski, exhibiting a Victory variety sample weighing 48.2 pounds a bushel, gave Canada the oats grand championship for the 10th straight time. United States growers have won the prize only eight times since 1919.

The title was won last year by John T. Eliuk of Hairy Hill, Alta., double-barrelled oats and barley champion of the 1949 Royal Winter fair. Eliuk placed fifth in his class here this year.

Since the hay and grain show started in 1919, only three exhibitors, all Canadians, have made a better showing than Mrs. Kelsey in the wheat division. Herman Trelle of Wembley, Alta., won the wheat crown five times. K. C. Mitchell of Dahinda, Sask., and F. Lloyd Rigby of Wembley each has won it three times.

Canadians have taken the world wheat crown every year since 1919. It has gone to United States farmers only four times.

But the barley division is a different story. The barley crown has been awarded to Canadians only eight times during the 26 years of judging. The last Canadian to win the title was George Gwyllt of Kelvington, Sask.

Eskimo Lad Does Well On Artificial Legs

EDMONTON. — David Koomayuk hitched the legs of his trousers and revealed two artificial limbs. With a shy smile the 18-year-old Eskimo said wistfully:

"When I was home I liked playing tag. Now I know I will never be able to run again."

Never again will the husky youth lead his former nomad life, moving from one igloo home to another and travelling miles over the frozen Arctic wastes behind his dogsled in search of caribou and seal.

But David believed to be the first Eskimo ever to be fitted with artificial legs, already is preparing himself for a new life in the Arctic to which he will return soon.

Doctors at Charles Camsell Indian Hospital in Edmonton, where David's legs were amputated 6½ inches below each knee to prevent gangrene from spreading, said he likely will be able to work around some Arctic post, possibly as a clerk.

"With his intelligence quotient of 120 he has the ability to go far beyond a clerking job," said David's hospital school teacher.

"Although he has taken instruction for only a few months, he can read English beautifully, and his hand-writing skill is equivalent to a grade nine student's. Because of his photographic memory and surprising talent for imitation, he can write my signature as well as I can."

The stocky lad, whose feet dropped off last Christmas while he lay sick with dysentery and gangrene at Cresswell, N.W.T., arrived here in an R.C.A.F. mercy plane Feb. 15. Cresswell Bay is on Somerset Island, 400 miles inside the Arctic circle and 1,400 air miles northeast of Edmonton.

David has been on his new legs for only three weeks but he can walk so well that he carried food trays around his hospital ward.

He lost his parents, a brother and a sister in a plague three years ago.

Newest Instrument A Speedy Recorder

OTTAWA.—The national research council said it had perfected an instrument that could count and record events taking place less than one-millionth of a second apart.

The council, which seldom gives way to adjectives, added that the parts contained in the gadget were "sturdy, reliable, interchangeable and versatile."

DIFFICULT PRINTING

As early as the ninth century books were first engraved on stone, ink was spread on the stone and rough prints taken by hand.

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TRY AND STOP ME!

By BENNETT CERF

In Sholom Aleichem's The Old Country appears the original version of the meeting between a poor old man from a Russian ghetto and Baron Rothchild in Paris. The Baron's butler, seeing the old man's tattered raiment, doesn't want to let him in, but is brushed aside with a scornful "Fool! If I had good clothes, would I have bothered coming to Paris?"

Then the Baron is intrigued by the promise of eternal life. The price of the secret is three hundred rubles. The old man pockets his gold—the most he ever had seen—and tells the Baron, "It's simple enough. Just move to our ghetto. No rich man ever died there in our history."

Sholom Aleichem is credited, too, with that solid piece of advice to a lovesick Lothario: "Remember, my boy, you can marry more money in five minutes than you can make in a lifetime."

A night court magistrate looked up in surprise when a man in kilts and a tam o'shanter was led before him, and charged with intoxication. "Hm-a-a," mused the judge, "who bought you that whisky?"

Hunter Attacked By Wounded Deer

FORT WILLIAM, Ont. — William Semenuk, 25, said that he was attacked by a wounded deer but managed to kill it. Semenuk said he wounded the buck in two legs and thought he had killed it when it stumbled and fell. ". . . When I went over to slash its throat, the deer rose on its forelegs and threw me with its antlers," he said. "I landed on its back and did not let go until I finished the job I started."

Beaver Flourishing In Huge Nursery In Northern Manitoba

WINNIPEG—Vast areas of Northern Manitoba have been turned into a huge beaver nursery.

Compared with a closed season in 1942-43 when there was no profit from the declining beaver population. Manitoba last year netted $425,000.

A Northland variety of dogcatcher and regulated trapping keep the pelt yield steady and eliminate "nuisance" beavers.

For years the beaver was a problem for railwaymen, daming culverts and causing floods on the lines. Once a rail crew spent three successive days cleaning out a culvert only to find it plugged again by morning. They finally had to shoot the beaver. Six carloads of gravel were needed for repairs.

In 1945 a "nuisance patrol" was formed to travel the railway on gasoline hand-cars and trap the pests. In their first year, the two-man team caught 152 beavers. This year the objective is 250—an impressive figure when it is realized three females produce about 300 descendants in five years.

Beavers caught by the patrol are not killed, but transplanted by airplane, train, truck or dogsled to areas where there are a few of the animals.

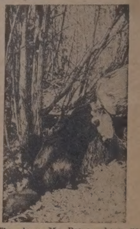
The Manitoba government, having seen the provincial beaver trade fall to a point where a "closed season" sign was needed, brought in the registered traplines system in 1940. The idea is to control the annual kill so that enough beavers are left to breed a new crop.

A Manitoba game and fisheries branch official said "transplanting" animals is an important part of the control set-up.

"There was a closed season as far as beavers were concerned in 1942-43, because of the scarcity of the animal," he said. "In 1947-48, however, 10,762 beavers were trapped and their pelts sold.

"While Manitoba's figure is not nearly as impressive as that of Ontario or Quebec—the latter has a crop about four times as big—it is fair for the province's size in comparison with the other two."

The average Manitoba trapper now gets about half his earnings from beaver pelts.



The above, Mr. Beaver shows no respect either to large or small timber.

Above shows a close-up of an old beaver house.

TO PROVIDE HOT SEATS FOR ICE BOWL GAME

FAIRBANKS, Alaska.—They may be playing football in the Ice Bowl game here Jan. 2 in frigid temperatures, but the customers can get the hot seat.

At least, that's the plan of Ladd Air Force base officers.

They're going to install aircraft heaters under the bleachers, with canvas ducts carrying heat the entire length of the stands.

The university of Alaska will clash with an Air Force eleven in the bowl game.

LAST ROUNDUP

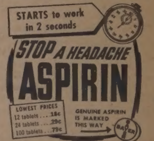
WINNIPEG. — Horses are rapidly disappearing from the local scene. The Winnipeg Humane Society reports that 1,525 horses entered abattoirs here during October and 290 more were waiting their turn. The numbers were substantially higher than in previous months.

Pasteurized Milk Is Safe

BICYCLE PRODUCTION SETS NEW RECORD

OTTAWA. — Bicycle production is on the upswing. Production reached a new high in 1948 with a total of 124,747 bicycles manufactured, worth $3,861,437, the bureau of statistics reports.

This compared with 90,644 bicycles produced in 1947 worth $2,726,133 and 85,404 in 1946 worth $2,310,185.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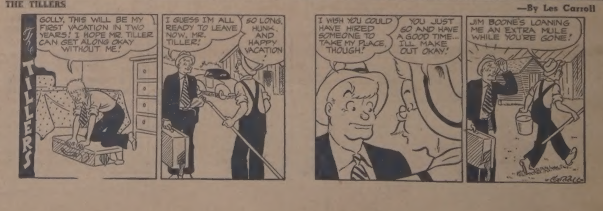
—By Les Carroll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I GUESS I'M ALL READY TO LEAVE NOW, MR. TILLER!
SO LONG, HUNK, AND HAPPY VACATION!
I WISH YOU COULD HAVE HIRED SOMEONE TO TAKE MY PLACE, THOUGH!
YOU JUST GO AND HAVE A GOOD TIME... I'LL MAKE OUT OKAY!
JIM BOONE'S LOANING ME AN EXTRA MULE WHILE YOU'RE GONE!
CARROLL

Modern 'Planes Have Nothing On Flying Ability Of Arctic Tern

WASHINGTON. — Mother Nature has taken no part in the B-36 controversy, but she could say a thing or two about it if she wished. The Air Force people boast of the B-36's range—a little more than 10,000 miles. But Mother Nature for thousands of years has had a little half-pound flying machine, the Arctic tern, which makes two 11,000-mile flights a year—not non-stop, but even so that's some flying. The bird summers in the Arctic and winters in the Antarctic.

Its seasonal migration is the longest of any bird. Arctic terns from Alaska and other western parts of North America fly directly south. But those who summer in eastern North America make a mysterious side-trip to Europe and Africa before heading for the South Pole. You practically never find an Arctic tern on the Atlantic coast of North America south of Northern Massachusetts.

One theory about this side-trip is that the Arctic terns' ancestors came from Europe. So before they take up their winter residence in the Antarctic they make a sentimental journey home. They fly east across the Atlantic towards Scotland or France, then sail south along the western coast of Europe and Africa.

People have known practically nothing about the trail of the tern until the past 20 years or so. It was known that they turned up seasonally in the Arctic and Antarctic, but the course they took was not understood until the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service began banding the birds, in co-operation with similar foreign agencies.

Numbered anklets are fastened to the birds, and a record is kept of where the banding book took place. About 7,846 Arctic terns have been banded. And 10 or 12 of them have been recovered at long distances, in Europe or Africa. One of the birds which had been banded in 1929 was recovered in 1946.

Arctic terns don't fly non-stop. They are water fowl, so they can snooze or feed on the ocean. From the record of one banding, it was learned that a tern took three months to fly from Labrador to Southeast Africa.

They are relatively slow, cruise at about 30 to 35 miles per hour. They seem to fly rather low. Sailors report seeing them in flocks at an altitude of about 100 feet.

They are the size of a small gull, with long wings and a long, forked tail. They are pure white underneath and pearl grey on top. Their feet and bills are red, and the top of their head is black—looks like a little derby hat.

They are great lovers. When the male is courting, he brings food to the female, presenting it to her with a playful little ceremony. While she is brooding on the eggs, he continues to feed her—and keeps up the same little courtship ceremony.

Scientists can only guess at the reasons for their long migrations. It might be a matter of food supply. Or daylight saving. Or a combination of both. At any rate, moving from pole to pole, where they get almost 24 hours of daylight in midsummer and mid-winter, they probably see more of the sun than any other creature.

YOU'RE TELLING ME

By **WILLIAM RITT**

Central Press Canadian Writer

On hearing of Andre, Zadok Dumkopf says he hopes the Frenchman with the muscular maxillary comes to this town. Dummy claims he knows a restaurant that serves steaks which would challenge the jaws of a dinosaur.

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The Inca mummy goes back 3,000 years and he probably wishes he was back there now.

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The mummy has one distinction over other recent visitors to these shores. Nobody has interviewed him as to his opinion on the devaluation of the pound and the Russian atom bomb.

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Eskimos, according to a magazine article, never spank their children. Before Junior, on hearing that, lights out for the far north he'd better remember that blubber tastes worse than spinach.

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A Canadian town reports hailstones as big as table tennis balls. How the townfolk must dread the coming of the football season.

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That Canadian Leghorn hen that laid 360 eggs in 365 days probably was happy over the fact that it wasn't a Leap Year.

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The Assyrians and Babylonians had the first dictionaries, which were used to explain signs instead of words.

Registered Seed Best For Crops

Harvesting is over. Grain is gathered in and farmers will soon begin to lay their plans for next year's crops. The first consideration must be the kind of crops to sow and the kind of seed to use. More and more farmers are beginning to realize the high value to them of the use each year of some registered seed, for it is the highest quality seed obtainable.

A few bushels of registered seed, sown with care on a few acres, will provide larger quantities for sowing the following year on a larger acreage, which will all return to the farmer the original cost of seed over and over again in improved yields and in higher grades. Because of drought in some areas and frost in others, registered seed is none too plentiful this year.

Those farmers, therefore, who are considering its use—and they could not consider the use of anything better—should place their orders for registered and certified seed with their elevator agents as quickly as possible; also as to give seed growers time to know the demand and so to make preparations for cleaning their seed, for sacking it, and having it sealed by government inspectors.

LEOPARD SEAL

The Pacific coast variety of the common or harbor seal is often spotted and is called the leopard seal.

The Alaska Highway is 1,600 miles long.

Sir Stafford Cripps Outlines Britain's Economic Relations With Canada

The following is an extract from a speech made by Sir Stafford Cripps, United Kingdom Chancellor of the Exchequer at the Centenary Banquet of the Commercial Travellers' Benevolent Institution in London:

"There has been quite a lot in some of the Press lately dealing with the economic relations between this country and Canada and some very unfair and foolish things have been written about our Canadian friends.

"Let me make this abundantly clear, that, however great may have been our economic difficulties and those of Canada during and since the war, we have had no better friends than the people of Canada throughout that period.

"Both our countries have been put into grave difficulties as the result of the economic changes brought about by the war in particular.

"Despite all the Canadian difficulties, just recollect for a moment a few of the things she has done to help during and since the war. In 1942 she made us a free gift of a billion dollars to purchase foodstuffs and war supplies, in addition to providing us with an interest free loan of $700 million. This magnificent gesture was followed in the next year by the beginning of Mutual Aid, under which we received from Canada supplies to the value of more than $2,000 million. These measures and numerous other generous actions helped to see us through the war. Nor did her assistance cease with the ending of hostilities, for she then extended to us a line of credit worth $1,250 million. These are only some of the most outstanding examples, but they too help to show the scale of the help we have received from Canada during the last 10 years.

"It is wholly untrue to suggest either that Canada has unloaded her difficulties onto our backs or that we have unloaded our difficulties onto her back.

"The truth is that the war has destroyed the pre-war pattern of trade which enabled us to earn from third countries the dollars needed to buy all we wanted from Canada and the United States. Canada's difficulties have thereby been increased because her trade had developed on the basis of importing a great deal from the United States while selling a large part of her products to us for sterling. That was all right as long as the sterling could be freely converted into dollars as it could be before the war, and as we want it again to be as soon as ever that is possible. But until we have been able to proceed further in building up the exchanges between the dollar and the non-dollar world, the dollars we used to collect from the rest of the Sterling Area are no longer there to collect—so we cannot buy either in the United States of America or in Canada all the dollar goods we would like to buy or they would like to sell.

"That is very trying for us all and that was one very good reason why we had the meeting in Washington to try and solve this difficult triangular question. We all agreed it was a triangular question—that we were all concerned in it and with it and that it was only by working together that we could overcome our difficulties.

"We also agreed that it was neither a temporary nor a superficial problem that could be lightly regarded, but that it was deeply seated in economic history and that it would need bold and forceful action in all three countries to set it to rights.

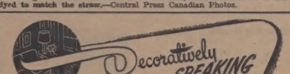
"Nothing is more ridiculous in such circumstances than for anyone of us to attack either of the others as regards facts which have been beyond all our controls.

"The remarkable thing is that by all helping, and Canada has helped as much as anyone, we have managed somehow to get along so far, and if we go on working harmoniously together, as we intend to do, we shall eventually solve this dollar-sterling problem.

"We do thank our Canadian friends for the part they have played and we utterly repudiate those who are—whether they mean it or not—creating bad blood between the two peoples."

Casuals For In Between Seasons

Skirt, blouse and weskit with matching dots on long patch pockets are a handy combination, (right), in any wardrobe. Note the full skirt and gathered waist. From Paris comes this between-season hat, (left). Done in moss green milan and tilted far to one side, the little creation is trimmed with a swank sweep of nylon satin, dyed to match the straw.—Central Press Canadian Photos.



Decoratively SPEAKING

(By Francis James)

It's odd the way the notion grew that small rooms must contain only small things—spindly chairs that defied you to sit on them, straight-backed, narrow sofas, small tables that were good for nothing in particular, wallpaper with small, pale, apologetic designs.

It's odd the way the notion grew—for logic will tell you that a small room is not, in itself, remarkable. Therefore, it desperately needs something to make it stand out. To give it life and personality. The spindly chairs and narrow sofa and pale, apologetic wallpaper certainly did not do this.

That is why, today, decorators are advocating, for certain small rooms at any rate, the use of gay, colourful wallpapers with bold, bright patterns.

Powder rooms are one thing that have undergone this change of decorating heart. Time was when that small nook off your bedroom or in the hall had to be papered in off-white or cream with, perhaps, a disappearing rose for pattern (if you looked hard enough). This was done to make the room look bigger. It didn't make it look bigger—it just made it look vaguely dull. Dressing table and stool skirts had to be in dotted Swiss. This light and airy touch was again supposed to make the room look bigger.

Now decorators say "so the room is small. Nothing you can do is going to make it big. But you can make it look airy. So why not be happy with it the way it is. Don't use dotted Swiss if you're dying for chintz. And don't use pale wallpaper if you yearn for big splashy patterns against colorful backgrounds. It will be small, but it will be nice."

Dens also have undergone a change. Generally, they're small, but decorators have decided that this is an advantage in a den. Here is one room that should be cosy enough to relax in. And smallness begets cosiness. Therefore, you no longer have to worry about making the den look bigger. You needn't use pale, retreating wallpaper. On the contrary, deep, masculine tones are now very popular for this type of room. Deep wines, deep greens, browns, etc., give the atmosphere such a room needs.

Neither do you have to sacrifice comfort for fragility in furniture. The overstuffed chesterfield or chair that Father loves, the roomy desk, the sturdy lamps — all have their place in the modern den.

They may not make it look any bigger. But in the den, it isn't the size that matters. It's the atmosphere.

Candles Sent From Canada Light Church

LINTHORPE, England.—A church service went on in semi-darkness when electric power failed in this Yorkshire village.

Candles sent to the church in a gift parcel from Canada were used to illuminate chancel, choir stalls and pulpit. The rest of the church remained dark.

The congregation liked it so much the vicar is arranging to have another service in semi-darkness.

"They were pleased with the medieval effect," said Rev. H. A. Wareham.

LOTS OF APPLES FOR NEW ENGLAND FARMER

A New England farmer, overloaded with apples, sold his surplus to the Topsfield, Mass., fair. Also he entered the apple pie baking contest, and so did his wife, which disposed of some more apples. He won second prize, his wife took third. The respective prizes were five bushels of apples and three bushels of apples.

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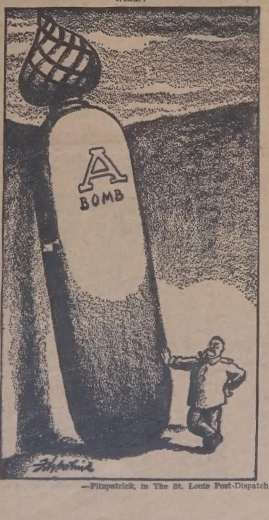

—Fitzpatrick, in The St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Thousands Of Canada Geese Winter On Pond

Thousands of wild geese, most of them from Canada, converge each fall on the farm of Lockhart Gaddy near Ansonville, N.C. There they spend a leisurely winter under the protection of a man they have come to regard as their friend.

Back in the early '30's, Gaddy built a three-acre artificial pond on his farm. In 1934 nine wild geese swooped down to investigate the pond and remained for the winter. Making friends with these first birds was a difficult task, for they were as wary of humans as any wild birds. After three winters of persistent effort Gaddy earned the trust of the geese, and they came within a few feet of him to pick up grain he scattered on the shore.

As the winters passed these birds attracted larger flocks until 6,000 of them arrived for a six-month stay a few years ago. Last winter more than 5,000 birds sought out Gaddy's protection.

In recognition of the conservation role played by the Gaddy refuge, North Carolina has declared the area within half a mile of the pond closed to all hunting.—Popular Mechanics.

House Plant Care In Wintertime

Many house plants cease flowering in winter and others will flower only feebly. This is a natural condition, for the winter is a resting period induced by the shortened days and lowered temperatures. Most of the plants which do flower in the winter have been prepared for blooming during the preceding months of summer or autumn.

During the winter, house plants should receive special treatment to accommodate them to this rest period. All practices which tend to stimulate growth should be stopped; less water is needed; repotting and root disturbance should be avoided.

Fairly low temperatures are desirable, but as the warmth of a house is maintained to suit humans rather than plants, this is not always practical. The average room temperature of 70 degrees is much too high for most plants in winter time. Often a compromise can be made by keeping the plants in the coolest room, and preferably one in which the temperature falls to 60 degrees during the night. Humidity can be increased with evaporating pans on radiators, or pans of water near hot air ducts.

Microscope Shows Why Soap Removes Dirt

When your hands are dirty you wash them with soap—unless you are a growing boy, in which case you merely wipe them on your trousers and hope your mother won't notice how black they are when she calls you in at mealtime.

Washing with soap has been a civilized custom for hundreds of years but, strange to relate, no one has known until recently why it is that soap removes dirt.

The "election microscope" has disclosed for the first time, according to the U.S. National Bureau of Standards, that soap removes dirt by forcing a microscopic film of liquid between the surface being washed and the dirt. Having been "pried loose" by the soap, the dirt merely floats away.

The new discovery probably won't make soap any more popular than it has been with small boys but it makes us wonder if, even in these days of atoms and such, people still aren't pretty ignorant about a good many natural phenomena which we all take for granted.

DISEASE PREVENTATIVE

Cleanliness is not only next to Godliness—it also is precept No. 1 in disease prevention and contagion control.

Children And Books

If a child takes six weeks to read a book, don't discourage him by saying that you can read it in three days. A child reads each word, whereas a reader of experience reads sentences.

Don't ask a child to repeat the story just after he has read it. It will all come out in due time.

If a child sits down with a book, don't find some trifling task for him to do.

If a child, having half-read the book finds it uninteresting, don't force him to finish it. Adults do not always finish the books which they start.

Don't scold a child if he leaves his book lying about. More children are driven from home by ultra-tidiness than by untidiness. A little lad of four, while visiting at the home of an ultra-tidy aunt, said: "Please take me home to my nice, dirty home!" in expression of his longing for his own home, which wasn't uncomfortably tidy.

Don't scold a child for accidental marks or blotches on books. Explain to him that a book, like a person, deserves kindly treatment—and leave it at that.

Don't prohibit a child from lending the books which he has enjoyed. He will see that they are both returned and reasonably cared for. Lending books is like sending them on a missionary tour. They will carry many a noble message, and if eventually they become worn out in this service, they will have come to a worthy end.

If every child were taught to read good books early in life, he would never be found loitering and wasting his time.

Check Stored Grain For Mites

Mites are small animals, scarcely visible to the human eye, which at times infest cereal and other food products. They are soft-bodied creatures and of more or less pearly white colour. They may occur in other foods, such as cheese.

During the early winter it is often necessary to store grain on the farm. Farmers would do well to examine their grain frequently during this period of storage. Damp or tough grain is especially susceptible to attack by mites, and serious infestations may occur during the winter months.

In order to test for mites, grain should be sifted over a screen of about 30 meshes to the inch. This will retain the grain and coarse dockage while allowing the dust and mites to pass through. The accumulated dust should then be spread out in a thin layer—preferably on a sheet of black paper. The mites, being white in colour are readily seen, particularly if a magnifying glass is used. In cold weather the mites may be sluggish, but if the paper is held for a short time about 10 inches above the stove, they will warm up and move more rapidly. If the dust is tipped onto another paper, many of the mites will remain on the original one, as they tend to cling to the surface beneath the dust.

It is well worth taking time out to test stored grain during the winter. If infestations are found they should be reported to the Dominion Entomologist, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, for further advice.

DIVIDENDS IN HEALTH

A good lunch, well planned and well packed, pays dividends in health and morale. The lunch should be planned to fit in with and supplement the other meals of the day.

Parking Problem May Influence Size In Cars

By Forbes Rhude
(Canadian Press Business Editor)

It looks as though the trend towards size in motor cars has run its course, and that the cars of the next few years will be designed for easier operation in today's congested traffic and parking conditions.

In the post-war models so far the idea seems to have been to make the bodies as long and wide as the chassis will carry. Some companies, however, have managed to maintain a fair compromise, and one, at least, in its latest models, has already turned away from the over-size model.

Most motorists likely will welcome the change, and the chief disadvantage to current owners is that their present cars may look definitely dated when they go into the used-car market.

Probably, in nothing else has the average North American been so sold on luxury as in the motor car. It is the outward sign of his affluence and his chief item in "Keeping up with the Jones." He may use it, for the most part, just to get back and forth to work, but when he buys he thinks of the open highway and long vacation trips.

The motor car still has something of the attraction of a new toy, a Christmas gift, a thing to dream about—something beyond the utility which for the most part it is.

The move away from the size looks like the natural end of one trend and the beginning of another. It probably is not influenced by the English car, but if the change did not start now, the influence of the English car would likely have made itself felt shortly.

English cars, on their part, have been influenced by the North American market and have moved to a middle ground. A few years ago they seemed semi-freakish to North American eyes—now they look like rather good-looking small cars.

The cutting down in North American over-size may not be altogether good news to the English car; because they may lose some of their present appeal to people looking for something easier to handle.

However, the North American car has quite a job to accomplish in cutting down.

Keep Young People On The Farm

TORONTO.—The Federated Women's Institute of Ontario has been told that an association it sponsors has found a way to "keep young people down on the farm."

Gladys Houghton of Beeton said the interest of the young people in all phases of rural life was kept alive by long-term planning of varied activities by the Junior Farmers' Association.

F. W. I. membership is on the upswing, the institute's board, in the final day of a three-day session here, was told. Anna P. Lewis, director of the Women's Institute Branch of the Ontario Agriculture Department said 54 branches from all parts of the province were organized in the last year.

There now are 1,425 branches with a total membership of 47,154.

Mrs. J. B. Futcher, of St. Thomas was re-elected for a third term as board president.

On The Side

—By—
E. V. Durling

Have just heard of a genius who collects fancy fees teaching busy executives how to relax. This instruction calls for the executive taking several periods of relaxation during the business day. Among the forms of relaxation suggested is that the executive let himself go loose and walk around the office "like a rag doll". Another is that he lie on the floor and look up at the ceiling. Still another, and I am not kidding, is that the executive get down on the floor and play with a set of toy trains. Anyway, if you walk unexpectedly into the office of an executive friend and see him walking around the room trying to act like a rag doll or on the floor playing with a toy train don't get the wrong idea. The old boy will just be relaxing.

IN A SPOT

Last week I was in a crowded elevator when a man carrying a bag of cash and two armed guards entered. Each of the guards had a gun in his hand. If there had been a hold-up in that elevator several innocent bystanders would have been in a spot. That is, if there was some shooting, which there probably would have been. Why not have payroll carriers and guards travel on a special elevator? I would also like to ask why so many firms in large cities pay off in cash. Why not pay the help by cheque and eliminate the temptation of hoodlums to hold up the payroll carrier or the cashier?

EXTRA WIVES

That African ruler known as the Fon of Bikom has 110 wives. The Fon is growing weary of being criticized for this excess of matrimonial mates. He claims he would rather be a bachelor. Recently he said to a missionary: "All my wives can go home to their families and stay there if they want to. You can tell them I said so." The missionary did. Not one wife took advantage of the offer. Incidentally, in some parts of Africa polyandry is still practised. In these sections many women have 10 or more husbands. Not so many years ago an African beauty named Efue Kobi, known as "The Tiger Queen", had 40 husbands!

PLEASE NOTE

Only intelligent people have asthma. That's what the experts claim. So if you are convinced you are a little on the dumb side don't be too depressed. If you were smart you might have asthma or hay fever.

DIFFICULT OCCUPATIONS

Am asked what occupation makes a man the most unpopular through no fault of his own. That is difficult to decide offhand. I suppose the logical answer is tax collector. Still, how about being a referee? Or a dogcatcher? Or a ferryboat gateman? You know how people are always squawking about the mean gateman at the ferry who slammed the gate shut and caused them to have to wait for the next boat. Not long ago a ferryboat commuter became so enraged when the gate was closed on him that he unwrapped a blueberry pie he was carrying home to dinner and threw it right in the gateman's face.

LONG ODDS

The odds against throwing a double six with dice on the first toss are 35 to one. The odds on making four double sixes in succession are 1,679,615 to one. I mentioned this once before. At that time that fellow in Milwaukee, who checks on everything in this column, spent three hours a day for six months trying to throw four double sixes in succession.

REMEMBERING

Nat M. Wills, tramp comedian of vaudeville days, married a circus bareback rider. Mrs. Wills was a statesque beauty who was a striking spectacle on a horse. Mr. and Mrs. Wills frequently quarrelled, and Mr. Wills, a small man, usually got the worst of it. One night at the theatre Mrs. Wills threw her husband out into the hall. As Mr. Wills sat there rubbing his head, he muttered to a passer-by: "I should have married the horse."

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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES

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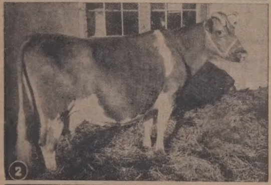
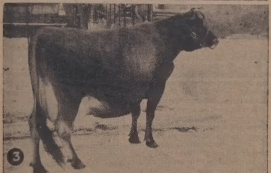
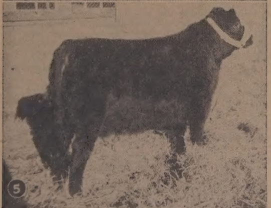
Good Show Of Maritime Livestock







Reflecting a favorable season for crop and livestock the Maritime farmers put on a good show at their annual Winter Fair held recently at Amherst, N.S. Pictured here are some of the winning livestock: (1) Ethel Junior, grand champion Hereford cow, shown by C. C. Barteaux and Son of Clarence, N.S.; (2) Kings Excellent Daisymaid, senior and grand champion Guernsey cow, exhibited by A. F. Saunders, of Petitcodiac, N.B.; (3) Dreamer's Maid, senior and grand champion Jersey female, shown by Edison B. Mutch, North River, P.E.I.; (4) Hobsland Improver, junior champion and reserve grand champion Ayrshire bull for Sidney C. Oland, Linwood Farm, Middle Sackville, N.S.; (5) Miss Bordolene, grand champion Aberdeen-Angus, female shown by L. E. Wells & Son, Point de Bute, N.B.

NORTHERN ONTARIO'S FLYING DOCTOR MAKES RESCUE TRIP—Sam Rowe, top left, was pilot of a plane that crashed in Big Trout lake, Ont., in an attempted take-off. Dr. W. H. Woodrow, top right, flew to scene of crash, took out injured pilot. Below is seen the rescue plane piloted by Dr. Woodrow, known throughout Northern Ontario as "the flying doctor". Pilot of plane, Sam Rowe, had been flying out hunters. Rescue plane, piloted by Dr. Woodrow landed on this rock-lined lake after doctor, who was hunting nearby, heard other engine cut-off. Sensing trouble he flew to scene, saw wreckage. One passenger in crashed plane drowned trying to swim to shore.—S.N.S. photos.

CANCEL NORONIC CAPTAIN'S LICENSE — The license of Captain William Taylor, veteran master of the S.S. Noronic, to serve as an officer in any ship was cancelled for one year by Mr. Justice R. L. Kellock of the supreme court of Canada. The certificates, or licenses, of the other officers of the Noronic would not be interfered with, the supreme court justice announced.—S.N.S. photo.

TOP PRIZE WINNERS for Broadbreasted Bronze turkeys at the Royal Winter Fair at Toronto. At left is champion of the show, with the reserve champion at right.

UP-TO-DATE AGRICULTURAL SHOW—The most up-to-date agricultural show ever staged in Britain, the Smithfield Show, was revived in London after a lapse of 11 years recently. Here are two samples of agricultural machinery that were demonstrated. Left, tall trees and low shrubs can both be well covered with spray by this one-man sprayer made at Maidstone, Kent, England. Right, in its second successful season, this Catchpole sugar harvesting machine takes the beets from the ground and delivers it into its own trailer or an accompanying truck. They are made at Bury St. Edmonds, England.

(S.N.S. Photo)

FIND CO-ED DEAD—A province-wide search is under way for the man who left a blonde co-ed dead at the entrance to Peel Memorial hospital, then disappeared. From a choir card in her purse, police identified the girl as Margaret Robertson, 21, of nearby Acton, a second year arts student at the University of Western Ontario. Police said she died from an illegal operation.

CHRISTMAS IS GOOD FOR YOU—That's what science says—Christmas is good for you. For a short time, at least, nerves are relaxed and struggles are forgotten. Crowds, who sense the excitement of the Yuletide season, become happier and friendlier. Christmas is good for children and, if anything, better still for the adults—both mentally and physically.—S.N.S. photo.

BIG CHIEFS WITNESS FOOTBALL FINAL—Even the Indians of the Calgary area got enthused over the Canadian football final, and travelled with the Calgary Stampeders to Toronto recently in their regalia to witness the final. Chiefs Calf Robes and Many Bears of Blackfeet tribe are leading a "raid".—S.N.S. photo.

TAKE PRIZES AT WINTER FAIR—Chilean trophy was won by two Mexican riders, Col. Humberto Mariles Cortes and Capt. Ruben Uriza, at Royal Winter Fair horse show. They were tied. $1,500 president's jumping stake was taken by Douglas Cudney of Winona, Ont., riding Panama, owned by E. C. Cudney. Prize was donated by John W. McKee.—S.N.S. photo.
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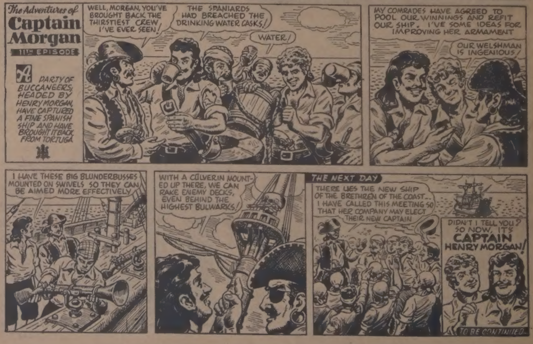
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11TH EPISODE
A PARTY OF BUCCANEERS, HEADED BY HENRY MORGAN, HAVE CAPTURED A FINE SPANISH SHIP AND HAVE BROUGHT IT BACK FROM TORTUGA
WELL, MORGAN, YOU'VE BROUGHT BACK THE THIRSTIEST CREW I'VE EVER SEEN!
THE SPANIARDS HAD BREACHED THE DRINKING WATER CASKS!
WATER!
MY COMRADES HAVE AGREED TO POOL OUR WINNINGS AND REFIT OUR SHIP. I'VE SOME IDEAS FOR IMPROVING HER ARMAMENT
OUR WELSHMAN IS INGENIOUS!
I HAVE THESE BIG BLUNDERBUSSES MOUNTED ON SWIVELS SO THEY CAN BE AIMED MORE EFFECTIVELY
WITH A CULVERIN MOUNTED UP THERE, WE CAN RAKE ENEMY DECKS, EVEN BEHIND THE HIGHEST BULWARKS!
THE NEXT DAY
THERE LIES THE NEW SHIP OF THE BRETHREN OF THE COAST... I HAVE CALLED THIS MEETING SO THAT HER COMPANY MAY ELECT THEIR NEW CAPTAIN
DIDN'T I TELL YOU? SO NOW, IT'S CAPTAIN HENRY MORGAN!
TO BE CONTINUED

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BRIEFLY TOLD

The West German Parliament voted Bonn, Rhine city and birthplace of Beethoven, as the capital of Western Germany.

Rocketing at speeds as high as 590 miles an hour, Britain's new Comet jet airliner made its longest test flight recently.

Food Minister John Strachey handed the British people an early Christmas present: Bigger rations of candy, tea, bacon and cooking fat.

Lord Horder, physician to the king, said Britain's national health plan has lowered medical standards and appears "likely to crash on the rock of economics."

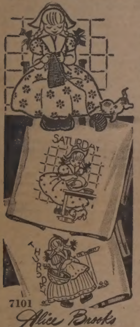
Construction will start in the spring on a new $320,000 63-bed addition to the Veterans' hospital in Victoria, B.C., Fisheries Minister Robert Mayhew announced.

Prime Minister St. Laurent announced in the commons that there is no foundation for rumors of a pending visit to Canada and the United States by Princess Margaret.

Music, news and train information will be presented soon over the loudspeaker in Grand Central Railroad station, New York. A few commercials also will be salted in to help defray broadcast expenses.

Grade 7 pupils at Carrot River, Sask., got a practical lesson in banking recently. The manager of the Royal Bank conducted the class through the institution and impressed the children with the importance of saving money.

Little Girl Motifs



For a bazaar or a gay gift—Little Dutch Girl motifs! Use on kitchen towels, or other kitchen linens!

Easy enough for a child to embroider! Pattern 7101; transfer of 7 motifs about 6x6½ inches.

Our improved pattern—visual with easy-to-see charts and photos, and complete directions — makes needlework easy.

To obtain this pattern send twenty-five cents in coins (stamps cannot be accepted) to:

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Our Alice Brooks Needlework Book has 109 illustrated designs: crochet, knitting and embroidery; quilts, toys, plus free needlework pattern printed in the book. Send twenty-five cents more, in coins, for this book today!

Alberta Expects Grasshopper Menace Again

EDMONTON, Alta. — The grasshopper threat in Alberta next year will be similar to that of 1949, according to the Alberta government's agriculture department.

The statement was made recently on information received from entomologists of the Dominion department of agriculture.

Alberta's supervisor of crop protection, W. Lobay, said the greatest threat in 1950 is indicated in the area of Lomond—Armada.

In this region, he said, the prospective outbreak is rated "very severe" and this is likely to prove one of the most severely infested areas in the province.

Unless an early attempt is made to combat the grasshoppers by cultural and chemical means, complete loss of crops in many parts of the district can be expected.

Lobay added that other areas in which heavy infestation is indicated are Provost-Bodo, Hemaruka and Schuler—Hilda districts. A heavy grasshopper population is also expected north of the Cypress hills. The heavy infestation experienced around Bow Island this year is likely to be somewhat less severe in 1950.

Lobay said moderate infestation, with localized severe threats, will probably occur from the east-west line between Winnifred and Macleod to north of Lomon.

Greater control measures might also be required in the Stavely, Claresholm and Ganum districts next year.

Experience gained in Alberta in 1949 in the use of newer control methods, Lobay said, will prove of considerable assistance in meeting the grasshopper problem during the coming year.

N.H.L. Sport Notes

Boilermakers' Line Popular

One of the most popular lines performing for the Chicago Black Hawks these days is the new trio nicknamed the Boilermakers' Line. The threesome is composed of Metro Prystai at center, Bep Guidolin on left wing and rookie Bert Olmstead on right wing. They've got lots of hustle and have been coming through with some very timely goals for the Hawks.

Likes October 23rd

As far as Bill Durnan is concerned he would like every day to be October 23. For the last two seasons Big Bill has turned in shutouts on games played that day. Last year on October 23 against Detroit both he and Harry Lumley chalked up "goose-eggs" as their respective clubs played to a scoreless draw. Then on October 23 this year, and which is an oddity, he and Jack Gelineau of the Bruins registered shutouts as Canadiens and Boston played to a scoreless tie. It was Bill's second shutout of the season on both occasions. While Durnan likes the 23rd it is safe to assume that the Canadien forwards hate it, as they just can't seem to score any goals on that date.

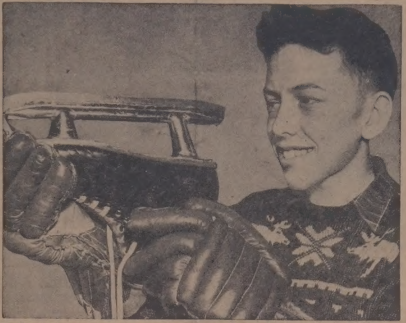
The Bills Have It

There are more players currently campaigning in the National Hockey League whose first names are Bill than any other Christian name. There are eight Bills in the loop today. They are Bill Quackenbush, Bill Juzda, Bill Ezinicki, Bill Gadsby, Bill Reay, Bill Barilko, Bill Durnan and Bill Mosienko. The Jims are second with four. There's Jim Thomson, Jim Conacher, Jim Peters and Jim McFadden. Until recently there was also Jim Bedard but he has since been loaned to Kansas City.

Almost Half His Team's Goals

Canadiens had scored 30 goals on November 19 and Maurice Richard scored close to half of these. The Rocket had notched 12 counters on November 19.

His Favorite Sport



Many Canadian lads ask for nothing more than a chance to play their favorite sport, hockey, and greets any cold weather that comes along. This young hockey player is checking his skate with a feeling of proudness, as he is sure his team will beat all comers. Boys in Western Canada go long distances to play hockey on ponds and rinks, and get up early in morning to to so.

Common Cold

(As viewed by the Health League of Canada)

Precautionary Measures—

1—Eat well-balanced meals, including milk and fats, green vegetables, fruits, meat and other proteins.
2—Get plenty of rest.
3—Keep rooms well ventilated. Take no chances of overheating or chilling the body. Wear clothing suitable to the weather.
4—Wash hands often, especially before eating. When caring for patients who have colds, sterilize their eating and drinking utensils.
5—Try to avoid unnecessary contact with persons suffering from colds.

If You Catch A Cold—

1—Be thoughtful—stay at home to protect others as well as yourself—cover coughs and sneezes.
2—Rest in bed.
3—Eat simple, wholesome food with plenty of liquids.
4—Destroy tissues and sterilize handkerchiefs contaminated with nose and throat discharges.
5—Consult a physician immediately if fever, body-aches or weakness occur, or if coughing of mucous from the chest occurs.
6—Do not return to usual occupations too soon.

Miracle Drug Available Soon

NEW YORK. — Canada's health minister announced that a small supply of cortisone will be available after Jan. 1 to Canadian researchers. Cortisone is the drug which promises almost-miraculous relief to arthritic sufferers.

Paul Martin said in a statement that if further experience justifies wide use of the drug it is hoped it may become available for general distribution.

He said startling results have been already obtained from the small quantities of cortisone now available, adding however:

"Those whose hopes have been raised by stories about this magic drug must remember that it is still in the experimental stage and that arthritic sufferers will probably require continuous treatment.

PRIZE WINNERS

CHICAGO.—G. A. Pack of Dawson, B.C., won first place with his sample of Red Clover, and Mrs. Emma Inda of Brooks, Alta., was first in seed clover at the International Hay and Grain Show here.

Poultry Producers Fear Slump In Egg Prices

OTTAWA.—A "disastrous slump" in market prices will occur if Canada does not obtain a renewal of her egg contract with the United Kingdom, spokesmen for Canadian poultry producers said.

C. F. Luckham, chairman of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, urged adoption of government floor prices for eggs if a new egg contract with Britain is not obtained.

Views of the poultry producers were presented at a meeting with A. M. Shaw, chairman of the Agricultural Department Prices Support Board. The producers representatives said later that Mr. Shaw promised "full consideration".

A statement by the poultry producers said that a brief was presented to Mr. Shaw urging that an early decision be made on future policy so producers might be guided in planning production for the coming year.

There would be many problems to be faced "if the British egg contract went out of existence at the end of the year with nothing to take its place, to care for surplus egg production and prevent a disastrous slump in the market price."

GOOD LIGHTING ESSENTIAL

Good lighting in industrial plants and offices, as well as in schools and homes, is a necessity where maintenance of health and operating efficiency is concerned.

KITCHEN MEDITATIONS

A GOOD WASHDAY

By JANE DALE

When all the worry and bustle is past
And the clothes are out on the line at last;
When the kitchen's clean and the water away,
I feel that I've had a good washday.

When the sun shines bright and the wind does blow
And the clothes dry quickly, row on row,
I sang a song as I fold them away
For I know that I've had a good washday.

For though the children did fuss and fret
And tried to help 'til they were soaking wet,
I finally settled them at their play
And gave them a treat when the wash was away.

And when the sun sank low in the west;
The children were sleeping and I was at rest
I said a few words as I knelt to pray,
"I thank you dear Lord for a good washday."

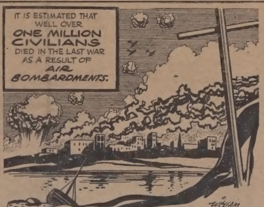
VERY GOOD REASON

The eyes of a guinea-pig don't drop out if you pick up the animals by the tail—guinea-pigs haven't got tails.

Biting of finger nails endangers the health, because of germs which lie hidden under the nails.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By WILLIAM FERGUSON


IT IS ESTIMATED THAT WELL OVER ONE MILLION CIVILIANS DIED IN THE LAST WAR AS A RESULT OF AIR BOMBARDMENTS.
WILLIAM FERGUSON
T. M. REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.
TELEGRAMS FRIGHTEN MOST PEOPLE, YET STATISTICS SHOW THE ODDS ARE TWO AND ONE-HALF TO ONE THAT THE MESSAGE THEY BRING IS GOOD NEWS.
KWIZ KORNER
BLUB
WHAT IS A GEYSERITE?
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ANSWER: A deposit that often forms around springs and geysers.

Oil Search Expands Rapidly In Saskatchewan And Manitoba

Nowhere in the world has the search for oil expanded so rapidly this year as in Saskatchewan, says The Financial Post in a recent issue specializing on Western Canada's current oil boom.

"Spurred by numerous oil discoveries in neighboring Alberta, the search for oil in Saskatchewan and Manitoba has rapidly changed from a desultory affair to a major "play". Practically all areas favorable for oil in Southern Saskatchewan have been blanketed by reservations.

"Prior to 1949, major oil companies had practically boycotted Saskatchewan in their search for oil despite repeated assurances by the Province of Saskatchewan that a socialist government was keen as mustard to work on fair terms with oil companies large and small.

"But with much easier reservation terms in Saskatchewan than in Alberta and with much larger areas available for investigation, this situation has undergone a tremendous change. The oil pot is now boiling in both Saskatchewan and Manitoba. The entire southern half of Saskatchewan, starting at a point about 100 miles north of Prince Albert, is underlain with rocks favorable for oil fields and the favorable rocks in Manitoba extend perhaps as far as 375 miles north of the international boundary along the common boundary with Saskatchewan.

"Interest in testing these areas for oil is thus an extremely logical followup to discoveries of oil in Alberta.

"A total of 29 seismograph, gravity meter and magnetometer parties have been at work in Saskatchewan and Manitoba this season — 27 of them in Saskatchewan—or over 26 per cent. of all parties at work in Western Canada oil fields. Western Canada rates next to Texas as the most active oil exploration area in the entire world.

"Oil production to date in Saskatchewan has been derived almost entirely from structures overlying the Devonian. There has been no production to date from the Devonian which has been found to be the big oil reservoir in Alberta. It is expected that the investigation of well over 60 million acres of Saskatchewan lands taken up under Crown and freehold rights will lead to decisions to drill a whole series of Devonian tests with an excellent chance of crude pools similar to those in Alberta. Several Devonian tests have been drilled in the last two years in Saskatchewan. While none has secured commercial production, they haven't been enough in themselves to discourage hopes that the Devonian will also prove productive in its easterly direction.

"A further Devonian test is now being drilled at Maidstone just east of the Lloydminster field proper.

"Few realize the scope of the geophysical program in Saskatchewan.

"One group alone, headed by Tidewater Oil, is committed to spend a total of approximately $9.5 millions on exploration in the next five years. Earlier this summer this group undertook an aeromagnetometer survey program covering upwards of nine million acres at an estimated cost of about $100,000 monthly.

"A second major oil group, headed by Sohio Oil, a Standard Oil subsidiary, holds approximately eight million acres of Crown land under permit. Sohio has done considerable seismographic and gravity meter work and already has a drilling program well under way. Drilling by this company has, so far, been concentrated in the Langham and Borden areas of Saskatchewan, just over 30 miles northwest of Saskatoon, in an attempt to gain detailed geological information.

"Husky Refining, Phillips Petroleum, Shell Oil, Imperial Oil, B.A. Oil and Royalite Oil are some of the larger oil companies included in Saskatchewan's current oil play."

Heart Disease Is Canada's No. 1 Killer

OTTAWA.—Heart disease is Canada's number one man-killer.

It took more lives in the first three months of this year, said a Dominion bureau of statistics report, than cancer, pneumonia, tuberculosis and general accidents combined.

A total of 9,307 Canadians died of heart disease in the first quarter of 1949. Cancer deaths totalled 4,024, pneumonia 1,937, tuberculosis 985 and general accidents 1,479.

Intracranial lesions of vascular origin was medical public enemy number three. It took 2,703 lives.

Another major cause of death was nephritis, which claimed the lives of 1,808 Canadians.

The war-lance of the medieval knights was 16 feet long.

Weekly Tip

SMELL SWEET

Before you iron your lingerie, sprinkle your favorite cologne on the ironing board. Makes clothes smell sweet.

x–x OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE x–x

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1 To place
4 Lyric poem
9 Large vessel
12 Gone by
13 English royal family
14 Period of time
15 To practice magic
17 Less common
19 To fasten securely
20 Stated
21 Colloquial: fellow
23 Suitor of Priscilla
27 I understand (mil.)
29 Poker stake
30 Symbol for sodium
31 Night before an event
32 Willow basket
34 French coin
35 Compass point
36 Before long
37 To feel pity
39 To convey
42 To fast
43 Golf stroke
44 Norse deity
46 Aphorism
48 Large dish
51 Dry, as wine
52 Whirls
54 A lixivium
55 Female sheep
56 Open tract in a forest
57 Still

VERTICAL
1 Pouch
2 The self
3 Ship's cubical content
4 Small case
5 Eddies
6 "—to a Nightingale' by Keats
7 To accomplish
8 Roving in quest of adventure
9 Italian operatic composer
10 Part of "to be"
11 Sailor
16 Gibe
18 Assistant
20 Rational
21 Plume of feathers
22 To hang fluttering in air
24 French historian
25 Raucous breathing noise
26 To visit intrusively
28 Male domestic fowl (pl.)
33 Untrained for hardship
34 Pious
36 Cozy
38 To redact
40 Swiftly
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45 Sudden onset
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47 Moisture
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Answer To Last Week's Puzzle

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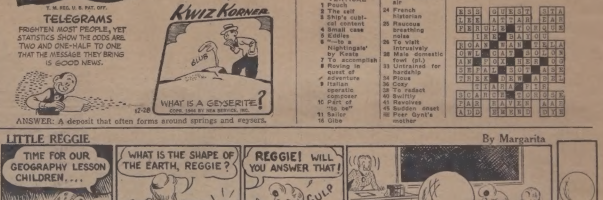
LITTLE REGGIE By Margarita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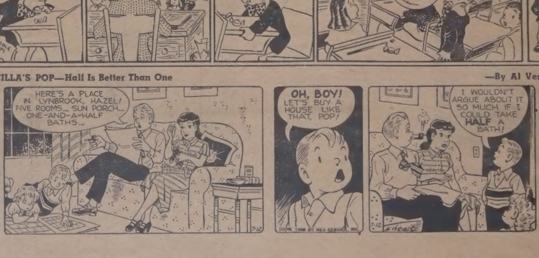
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OH, BOY! LET'S BUY A HOUSE LIKE THAT, POP!
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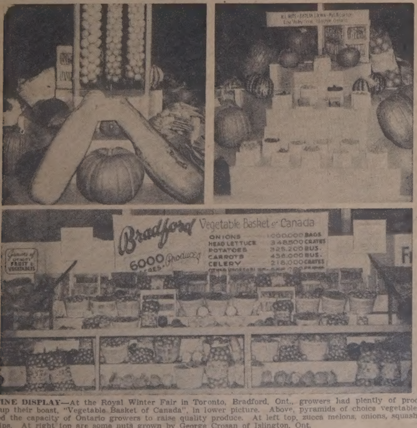

FINE DISPLAY—At the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto, Bradford, Ont., growers had plently of proof to back up their boast, "Vegetable Basket of Canada", in lower picture. Above, pyramids of choice vegetables indicated the capacity of Ontario growers to raise quality produce. At left top, zucca melons, onions, squash and parsnips. At right top are some nuts grown by George Crosan of Islington, Ont. 2858

Surprise In The Arctic

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By ESTHER V. W. TUFTY
(Central Press Canadian Correspondent)

ROVANIEMI, Finland.—Our party of British and U.S. reporters had a big surprise 'way up here in the northern wasteland of Finland.

We had heard of the 90 per cent. complete wartime destruction job the retreating German had done on the northern Lapland area and we expected we'd need to manage with some worse-than-crude hotel arrangements.

Our eyes popped when our airport bus rolled up to a brand new modernistic hotel with some innovations unknown even in North America.

In our private dining room a fire was roaring in a fine fireplace of stones. In niches between the stones grew vines and scarlet geraniums, a favorite flower in Finland!

The Finnish people love flowers. Sometimes a poor housewife will come home from the market with little food but always a flower. The first store opened when the evacuees came back after the war was a flower shop!

The Finnish spread included such delicacies as smoked mountain trout and thin slices of reindeer meat, which resemble our dried beef. Delicious! The cocktail was a pleasant blend of aquavite with a Yakki berry doing olive duty. Again — recommended!

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Houses are few and streets just passable, but food is plentiful. The best was served at a luncheon given in our honor the next day by the city council.

Course after course came — with every platter decorated with flowers and seasoned with dill.

Our host, the gaunt Deputy Mayor Vaino Kosenen, likes to repeat a remark made by Gen. George Marshall: "Finland has been kicked around like a football during the war years."

Lapland certainly was. First the Laplanders were friendly with the German soldiers who were helping them fight Russia in the winter war of 1940. Then when Russia forced them to fight the Germans, they left their homes knowing the German soldiers would destroy everything as they retreated.

The desolation left behind is today enobled by the miraculous comeback made since the time when their houses were burnt down, bridges blown up and their land mined as the German troops tramped on toward escape to Norway.

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When the first evacuees returned in 1945, they lived in caves and little huts of cardboard. Governor Wuno Hannula, a man of great spirit, issued a proclamation forbidding children to come back.

However, today, in his house so new the timber-smell lingers, he brags about the Finnish courage of parents who answered him by building a schoolhouse.

As we travelled from Rovaniemi north to the Arctic circle, we saw many relics of the destruction.

Then our bus reached tiny Kittila and there stood, untouched, a white painted church. Why the Germans didn't blast that, too, is unknown. Later, an entire town lived in the church!

To make the recovery-building of cities as handsome as possible, one of Finland's noted architects, Alvar Aalto, designed many with great beauty of line. He laid out the city of Rovaniemi.

The interiors of the two hotels and the children's tuberculosis hospital were bright with light woods, and both the arrangement of homes were functional, simple and pleasing.

Did they do the rebuilding all by themselves? The Laplanders are grateful to UNRRA and the Quakers who early rushed to their aid, but are fiercely proud of their own ability to stake a comeback.

A fine Arctic view is gained from the Rovaniemi hotel's picture window. The chairs are upholstered luxuriously in soft reindeer fur.
—Central Press Canadian.

"Prayer"

By G. H. SLOUS

Prayer is the vital "key" to successful Christian living, it should be the most solemn and most important act of daily life.

We perhaps think of it today as a tradition to be fulfilled at bedtime, or in church, but I am not sure we admit prayer into our lives with the reasonableness and understanding that Paul suggested should be a part of all prayer when he wrote to the Corinthians. It should not be a ritualistic gesture, or something to turn to in a time of emergency, or as someone suggested prayer is not a magician's wand or formula that will pull the rabbits of personal desire out of our hats.

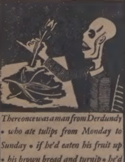
It has also been said that we do too much asking in our prayers, we look upon God as whose whole purpose is to grant all our desires and wishful thinking, without any responsibility on our part. We may pray to God for forgiveness and yet hold resentment against someone else, or pray that our church be strong and as a lighthouse to the world and yet refuse any sense of personal responsibility toward it.

Prayer should be a coming into the presence of God with a feeling of unworthiness and thankfulness. It should not be slipshod or hasty. We all seem to have time for other things. No man would go into a business conference without careful thought beforehand—would take patience, and would not present his petition in a casual or abrupt manner to his listeners, as we have prayed many times. We should go into communion with God with the full realization that He cannot be fooled or imposed upon. Our praying should be the means of replenishing our spiritual resources, making it a normal part of our every day existence as we eat and drink from day to day. It should be easy, a natural thing, but not ritual. If we commune with God in our walk, at work and at odd moments our prayer-life will be expressed in all our actions.

We have said that there is too much asking in our prayers, and this is because of the kind of things we ask. But there is certainly a place for petition in prayer. Jesus Himself suggested that we should ask with assurance that we shall receive, but our petition ought never be of the selfish and covetous thought. Jesus prayed for strength to do the thing that His Father wanted Him to do. There should be a complete dedication of ourselves, like the most moving prayer that has ever been offered, when Jesus in Gethsemane prayed: "If it be possible, let this cup pass from me, nevertheless, not my will but Thine be done." Pray with understanding, that you may know God and His ways, and make them your own.

For a happy and progressive Christian life, prayer is a "must".

HERE'S HEALTH



There once was a man from Derdundy • who ate tulips from Monday to Sunday • if he'd eaten his fruit up • his brown bread and turnip • he'd be here now poor man from Derdundy

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

Check Winter Hazards

This is a good time to check on accident hazards which the cold weather and winter presents:

1. Loose material should be gathered up around the grounds and destroyed if of no value. Sidewalks and platforms should be checked and repairs made where necessary. Where possible provision should be made to eliminate the possibility of ice forming on walks, platforms and stairs.
2. Ventilating systems, especially those in garages and automobile repair shops should be given very close inspection and any pipes damaged during the summer months repaired. Hose or metal tubing for attaching to exhaust of cars should be checked over and repaired.
3. Oil burners should be checked and instructions describing the safe methods of lighting should be posted at all such equipment. Workmen should be warned never to stand directly in front of the firebox when lighting the burner, in case of flareback. Back flashes when lighting can be minimized by the installation of pilot lights or some other suitable safe starting device.
4. Ice and snow slipping hazards—The best method is to avoid them by removing the snow or slush before it forms into ice. In areas where this is not practicable, make sure that gritty materials are on hand for spreading over icy areas. Use sand, gravel, fine cinders or salt. To prevent abrasives from being swept off by winds and traffic, dry sand can be mixed with sodium chloride (salt) or calcium chloride.
5. In the operation of trucks or automobiles, all drivers should understand that accidents go up as the temperature goes down. Icy roads and poor visibility make reduced speeds necessary.
6. Falling on icy ground — When about to fall on icy ground, a person usually tries desperately not to fall. He contracts his body and limbs violently, throws up his arms, and falls with one small part of his body contacting the ground. His brittle bones are often broken. Body and limbs should, on the contrary, be relaxed; the whole body ought to "unfold" flexibly in the direction of the fall. If the feet slip on icy pavement, the relaxed body can usually "slump" to the ground with the weight distributed on thighs, hips and hands. In falling forward, or to either side, learn, like the football player and the acrobat, to meet the ground with a slight roll, without injury. Learn to relax and take the bumps with a roll!

Helpful Hints

A piece of orange rind put into water in which suet or steam pudding is being cooked will make the pudding roll out of the cloth easily.

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To clean a stained enamel kettle, cook applesauce or tomatoes in it. These foods may be eaten—there is no danger.

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Linoleum can be spoiled with too much attention. Recommended care for the floor covering includes a daily dusting, weekly mopping with a damp mop and plain water, and a waxing every fortnight. Soap-and-water scrubbing should be limited to two or three times a year, say the experts. 2858

United Emergency Fund For Britain

The United Emergency Fund for Britin started functioning just a year ago on a national basis and was designed to integrate and augment the efforts of all organizations and individuals in Canada, interested in offering and providing assistance to the British people during the emergency, in such a way that their effort would have the maximum effect without loss of identity.

From last January to the present, some 250,000 lbs. of foods in parcels where shipped overseas to The United Emergency Fund for Britain Derby warehouse. In addition, another 350,000 lbs. of food, mostly tinned, were forwarded in bulk. With the break-up of the bulk food into packages of eight lbs. gross at the Derby warehouse, it is estimated that some 75,000 needy Britons have been assisted by the United Emergency Fund for Britain this year.

It takes a real spirt of sacrifice to be generous when you have little. We in Canada are enjoying good food —and plenty of it. But Britain, even five years after the war, is still suffering from the effects of an all-out battle.

British rations are still meagre. Meats and fats are so scarce that the average day's meals are several hundred calories below the malnutrition level.

Will you join with the thousands of Canadians who realize the need? Help United Emergency Fund for Britin to send Food to Britain.

Halley's comet, which put on such a brilliant show in the heavens in 1910, will again be visible to the naked eye on a return visit in 1986. It had a tail supposedly 18 million miles long when it swept near the earth in 1910.

Many Seek Secret Of Long, Active Life

LONDON.—Dr. Maurice Earnest, 78-year-old British expert on longevity, said that a group of American millionaires were so fearful of dying soon that they sent for him to teach them his secrets for a long and active life.

"They want me to found a longer life experimental clinic" and "a longer life rejuvenation retreat," the peppery little doctor said.

Dr. Earnest is the president and founder of the Centenarians Club. He will sail for the United States soon.

The doctor found himself getting old at 60 before he hit on the secret of longevity, he said, but now, 18 years later, he can read small type upside down without glasses in semi-darkness.

"I suppose Americans are a little worried to have so much and to have to leave it so young through death," the doctor said. "Well, perhaps I can help them."

A successful well-to-do consulting physician, Dr. Earnest said there was "no monkey gland" aspect to his system. Moreover, he said, it does not contain anything inconsistent with good scientific practice.

"A heart attack doesn't come spontaneously," he said. "I have spent 40 years developing a system of repairing vital organs, insofar as they can be repaired. The system is my own and there are thousands of patients who can testify to its benefit."

The doctor explained that he had just received a letter from an 84-year-old woman patient who had visited a hospital for a check-up.

"She said they wouldn't believe she was over 58 until she produced her birth certificate," the doctor said.

Moving lightly about the house with a vague rhythm as though he were practicing a waltz, the doctor declined to identify the millionaires who had summoned him.

"I'll arrive on the liner America," he said, "and that will be time enough for such details. But I can tell you that they heard about me through my book 'The Longer Life' written 10 years ago and decided that the best way to get more information was to have me over."

The doctor, who is a familiar figure in the dining rooms of the better London hotels, said his Centenarians Club had not been able to uncover evidence that any human being ever lived more than 112 years.

Expert Astonished By Egg Production Of Jungle Fowl

CHARLOTTETOWN. — A poultry expert who believes that proper housing, feeding and care is just as important as breeding in egg production reported "astonishing" results from initial experiments involving a nondescript breed of bird called "jungle fowl".

Benjamin F. Tinney, superintendent in poultry and cereals at the experimental farm here, said the jungle fowl — never exposed to the blood of any known breed—has produced eggs at close to the average of the Barred Plymouth Rock breed. During the one-year experiment the Rocks averaged 281.4 eggs. The jungle fowl produced only 44.6 less.

Called "jungle fowl" for want of a better name, the birds were discovered on a Prince Edward Island farm a few years ago and brought to the experimental farm here for experimentation.

The metal molybdenum will not melt below 4,750 degrees Fahrenheit.

TO REMAIN IN CHINA—Despite the sweep of Red armies over China, Ruth Bean, 30, of New Dundee, Ont., the first Canadian Mennonite missionary in China, has decided to stay in that country. She is in the Chungking area.—S.N.S. photo.

HEALTH

Pasteurization Said Only Sure Milk Safeguard

Since medical science has proven that raw milk can harbor germs which can cause numerous crippling and killing diseases, it is a wonder, states the Health League of Canada, that so many people in Canada continue to drink unpasteurized milk even if they consider the source of supply disease free and that the handling has been most sanitary.

"Milk is a wholesome and beneficial food if it is pasteurized," according to the Health League. "But in its raw state it can be a menace to health and life through such milk-borne diseases as bovine tuberculosis, undulant fever, typhoid and paratyphoid fevers, septic sore throat, diphtheria, scarlet fever and dysentery."

In reference to disease-free cows and sanitary handling, the Health League points out that no herd can be considered disease-free at all times. Sudden infection in one cow can spread rapidly even through a certified herd. And, even under most sanitary conditions of handling, virulent disease bacteria can accidently enter milk—from humans who do not realize they are carriers of certain disease germs, or from the air itself. Milk is a wonderful food, but at the same time it is a No. 1 culture medium for bacteria.

"Only pasteurization can kill germs which get into milk, either from the source of supply or from the handlers," says the Health League. "Therefore, pasteurized milk is the only safe milk."

The Health League says there is no need of consuming unpasteurized milk, even in areas where the commercially pasteurized product is not available—or in farm homes where herds are considered disease-free and handling is sanitary—because there are several simple methods of home pasteurization which will make milk safe for human consumption. For particulars, write to the Health League of Canada, 111 Avenue Road, Toronto 5, Ont.

Smile of the Week—

GET PERMISSION

"You down there!" shouted father, from the head of the stairs. "It's two-thirty! Do you think you can stay all night?"

"Er, thank you," said the callow lover. "But I'll have to phone home first."

TIBETAN TERRIER

The Tibetan terrier is a dog which resembles a skye terrier. It has a beautiful, shaggy coat, large round head, intelligent eyes, half hidden by a profuse fringe; feet and legs covered with hair. Tibetan terriers vary in size.

Mechanical Cow Produces Grade-A Pasteurized Milk

WASHINGTON.—Now they've invented a mechanical cow.

It apparently does everything but moo. Instead, it clanks. But, aside from that defect, the mechanical cow does produce pasteurized, homogenized, grade-A milk which the manufacturer says, tastes just like the stuff you buy from the corner grocery.

The facts of this 20th-century creation were placed on the record of the recent congressional session by Representative Reid F. Murray, Republican from the dairyland state of Wisconsin with a plea that the true flesh-and-blood bossy not be forgotten.

The mechanical cow, he reported, was constructed by Dr. Charles E. North, of New Paltz, N.Y., and now is in use for United States troops in the Far East. There it slakes their thirst via seven machines turning out 22,700 gallons of milk daily, the equivalent of a herd of 7,500 head of live cattle.

Other such "cows", he added, soon will be supplying milk in the Philippines, Venezuela, Trinidad, Curacao and Aruba.

The secret of the mechanical cow apparently is in the method of taking the water out of the milk back in again at its destination. Unlike powdered milk, the new product so resembles untampered milk that you can't tell the difference.

The procedure is to separate the skim milk and the butterfat on this continent in huge centrifuges, pack them under intricate processes which preserve flavor and original composition and ship them to any place where milk is needed.

There, the two are put back together again with distilled water in a recombining machine—the mechanical cow—and the result is a milk tasting almost as fresh as from the cow.

The recombined milk is being introduced in places where milk supplies are poor or non-existant, such as tropical regions in which dairy cattle do not thrive. It may eventually be sold on this continent. The manufacturers say recombined milk could be sold in New York for as little as 15 cents a quart, considerably below prevailing prices for the fresh product.

ONTARIO THE UNKNOWN

A Toronto woman spent some time at a small hotel in an Alberta town. After a short conversation with the proprietress, the woman said she was from Toronto. On hearing this, the hostess told her she had five brothers living there. "What part of Toronto?" our citizen asked. "Well," replied the westerner, "three of them live in Hamilton and two in Oshawa!"

Tips For Fire Prevention Of Yule Decorations

Preparations for a merry Christmas holiday season should include fire prevention precautions to make sure colorful Yule decorations don't become dangerous hazards. Trees, wreaths, evergreen swags and even holiday dinners are potential fire hazards unless they are properly handled.

Here are tips from fire prevention experts on how to safeguard your home against a holiday flare-up:

Keep Christmas trees, wreaths and swags away from fireplaces or open-flame heaters. If your Christmas tree is near a radiator, turn off the heat to slow down the drying out of needles and branches. Don't let trees touch window curtains. Tuck drapes up over the curtain rods, if necessary, to keep them out of contact with flammable decorations.

Cords and plugs of tree lights should be inspected for signs of frayed or worn insulation. If the heat of the bulbs starts to turn needles brown, shift the light string to a different position. Don't leave the lights burning when you're not in the room.

When Christmas presents are opened, gather up the wrappings. The papers and tinsel should be folded neatly and stowed in a fire-proof metal wastebasket or tin can until they can be disposed of.

Grease fires in the kitchen are an added hazard during the holidays when more elaborate dinners are cooked. The recommended way to douse flaming grease or oil is to smother the fire instead of cooling it with water. Experts suggest keeping a lightweight fire extinguisher near the stove ready for such emergencies. Carbon dioxide is one smothering agent used in extinguishers which will blanket a fire almost instantly without leaving visiule or harmful traces on food or equipment. New lightweight portable extinguishers filled with carbon dioxide have a trigger trip for quick action against fire.

PLANE HELPS MALLARD DUCK ON ITS WAY

EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, Fla.—A battered but live duck was removed from the engine cowling of a B-26 Invader which flew in from California.

It was surmised the plane, flying at 220 miles an hour, overtook the duck, cruising at a slower speed. Somehow the duck zipped through or around the B-26's propellers, which were revolving 16 times a second.

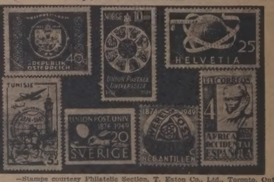
The mallard should have been chopped to duckburger. Instead, it came through minus a few feathers and with a bent beak.

Prize Whopper

The Fergus News-Record is going to have to be careful with its stories, or first thing it knows some unworthy critic will be doubting them. There's one, for example, about a man who had been away from Fergus for 35 years and arrived home to find his mother looking a woman of less than 30. And now to quote: "I'll tell you how it is," said his mother. "You know Dr. Groves. Well, he has been experimenting with a medicine. He let us try it. Every spoonful you take makes you 10 years younger. That's why I look to be only 30 years old." "Why, that's amazing," exclaimed Charlie, "and I suppose this is my little brother you are wheeling in the carriage." "No, Charlie, that's your father. He took an overdose."

: STAMP CORNER :

By JAMES MONTAGNES



—Stamps courtesy Philatelic Section, T. Eaton Co., Ltd., Toronto, Ont.

Almost every country is issuing stamps for the 75th anniversary of the Universal Postal Union. Among issues arriving in Canada for the anniversary were (top, left to right) those of Austria, Norway and Switzerland, and (lower, left to right) those of Tunis, Sweden, Netherlands, Antilles and Spanish West Africa.

Switzerland's annual child welfare set this year adds three more alpine flowers for the stamp collector who makes a specialty of floral collection. This year Switzerland brings to the philatelic garden the sulphureous anemone, the alpine clematis and superb pink. In recent years Switzerland has illustrated flowers on its child welfare issues.

Many countries have issued flower stamps. Austria not long ago issued a set of 10 stamps showing in full color as many flowers, including the crocus, violet, wild rose, edelweiss and cyclamen. Colombia a couple of years ago featured six different tropical orchids in full color in a special set.

There are numerous stamps which use flowers as marginal or supplementary decoration, such as the current British stamps, showing the rose, thistle, shamrock and lily. The Bahamas shows tropical underwater flowers on a 1938 stamp of the sea gardens at Nassau. Canada has not issued any single stamps showing the maple leaf, but the maple leaf has been featured as a decorative item since 1897. Earliest stamps of Newfoundland, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia featured heraldic flowers of Great Britain, and the popular six cents Princess Elizabeth stamp of Newfoundland shows the rose and thistle as decoration.

Netherlands issued floral child welfare stamps a few times, showing various flowers. In 1932 the Netherlands set featured the four seasons through flowers, showing the iris, cornflower, sunflower and Christmas rose. The sunflower and rose have also been shown on two values of Bulgaria's 1938 national production set.

Honduras featured an orchid on one value of its 1943 airmail set. Flowers of the coffee plant were featured on the 1928 Haiti stamp for its coffee industry, and also on Brazilian stamps of 1938. Brazil also issued flower stamps in 1946 showing an orchid, and in 1939 showing the chalice blossoms. Egypt added to the floral stamp collection with a set showing the branch of hynocarpus in 1938 for the leprosy congress of that year.

There are many more flower stamps, and the philatelic garden collection is a colorful display.

Ed. Note—If you have any old Canadian, Newfoundland or British North American stamps for sale or exchange write to our Advertising director, Mr. Pratt Kuhn, 120 Wellington St. W., Toronto 1, Ont., who is an amateur collector. Please enclose self-addressed stamped envelope for reply.

BOY, 13, DRIVES TRUCK INTO CREEK—Thirteen-year-old driver of this truck, and his 12-year-old companion, both of Sudbury, had wild ride before it plunged 15 feet into creek. Both suffered broken legs after vehicle hit one car, was hit by a second, took plunge. Truck was reported stolen.—S.N.S. photo.

OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

A Quiet But Pretty Wedding

Best Place For A Ring Is In A Man's Pocket (?)

By M. J. COLLINS

"OH! Isn't he the darling!" Peggy, my sister, exclaimed when she really saw our two-and-a-half-year-old son, Rick. He'd been under her nose, so to speak, all the time, but there was an excuse for her. Peggy would be married in a few minutes. Young Rick was wearing a white satin suit and it was my express job to see that he kept it clean. Peggy had thought it would be cute for Rick to be the ring bearer and the wife agreed with her right away, so I kept my opinion to myself. Well, it would soon be all over.

The bridal party were in the vestibule of the church waiting for the wedding march to begin. Mary, my wife, was making a few last-minute adjustments to Peggy's wedding dress.

"Now you know what you're supposed to do, son?" I asked sitting down on my heels. He nodded his blonde head vigorously. "I'm to carry the ring on the cushion to the front of the church, and I'm not to say a word." He rattled the words off quickly.

"Oh, leave him alone!" my wife said impatiently, "or you'll have him all rattled. He knows what to do. We had enough rehearsals to make everything easy. And," she continued, finishing with Peggy's dress, "you'd better hurry to your seat, we're ready to start up the aisle." Slipping something unobtrusively into Ricky's hand I did as she suggested, the usher showing me to my seat on the left side of the church.

Old Max, our organist, swung into the strains of the wedding march. Once upon a time he'd been an army sergeant and any music with the word march, well, it was played with that definitely in mind.

I could see the wedding party coming down the aisle out of the corner of my eye. Bill, the bridegroom, and his best man were peeking nervously through the drapes at the vestry door waiting to converge on the party. I wondered if he felt weak in the knees like I did the day Mary and I were married. A few seconds later the sonorous voice of Reverend Middlex filled the church as he began the wedding ceremony. Rick was doing his part like an expert, in fact everything was going along perfectly. Dad had gone back to his seat at the right moment without prompting, although I could sense my wife, who was the matron of honor, getting ready to dig him in the ribs if he got muddled. Rick was standing to one side holding the silken cushion steadily in front of him. The best man reached out for the ring and Rick suddenly started to cough and choke, dropping the cushion. My wife moved quickly to him and pounded him vigorously on the back. Finally he managed to gasp, "I swallowed it!" I think everyone in the church heard him. My wife gave a frightened little cry and grabbing him up in her arms began to pound harder.

"Where's my wedding ring?" Peggy asked, not seeming to understand what had happened. The whole family crowded up on the wedding party.

"Hold him up by the heels and shake him, it might come out," someone suggested.

"Thump him a little harder."

"I'm only trying to get married," Peggy wailed.

"He swallowed it," my wife said, "we'd better get him to a doctor immediately."

"Maybe he only choked on a hair," the best man said hopefully, "I almost did when I was a kid. Let's look on the floor for the ring."

Every available man dropped to his knees and began to scrutinize the floor minutely. "Here, use this!" My wife pulled off her wedding ring and pushed it into Bill's hand. "Hurry, Dan, and let's get this young man to the doctor's." Taking the now quiet Rick out of her arms, we hurried out of the church. "Rick's all right, Daddy," he insisted, but I wasn't too sure of that. Behind us the bridal party remustered to get Peggy and Bill married.

Our doctor's office is at the other end of town, but since it's only a small place we reached it in a few minutes. Just as we were getting out of the car Rick took something out of his pocket.

"Oh, my gosh!" my wife exclaimed loudly, "here's the ring! He had it in his pocket all the time." She turned to him relieved, but angry. "You bad boy, telling fibs like that. Scaring everyone half to death!"

"Hey, don't." I stopped her. "Maybe he did swallow something. What did you do with the candy I gave you in church?"

"I swallowed it, Daddy."

"There it wasn't the ring at all," I said almost triumphantly.

"Why," my wife demanded, "did you give him a candy? Of all the hairbrained things . . ."

"I gave it to him so he'd stay quiet," I explained lamely, "you know what a perfect imp he can be if he ever gets started."

"Poor Peggy will never forgive us, but why, I'd like to know, did he put the ring in his pocket."

"Daddy said the best place for a ring was in a man's pocket." Rick nodded his head with emphasis.

"Well!" And I didn't like the tone of the wife's voice. "Just how are you going to explain that, Dan Wright?"

"Don't you think it would be better if we returned to the wedding?" I mumbled.

Our local newspaper said something about the Howland-Wright wedding being quiet and pretty. The reporter that wrote that would have to be blind and deaf, but what could I do? . . . my wife suggested very sweetly just how I was to write it.

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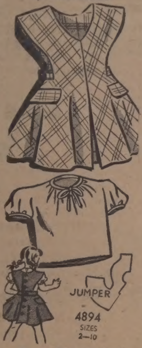
Fashions

By ANNE ADAMS



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Stone From Holland Honor Canadians

VANCOUVER. — A stone from a bomb-shattered Dutch church—an expression of gratitude to Canadians who died liberating Holland — was erected in Stanley Park here.

From a 750-year-old church in Nijmegen, the 15-inch-square stone was brought to Vancouver by Mrs. Margaret Bristow, president of R.C.-A.F. Branch No. 4 of the Silver Cross Mothers of Canada.

Mrs. Bristow visited Nijmegen during a tour of Europe to make preparation for a forthcoming mass pilgrimage of Canadian mothers to their sons' graves.

Most '49 Flax Crop Reach Top Grade

WINNIPEG. — Approximately 95 per cent. of the 1949 flax crop has reached the top grade, number one Canada western, but the average oil content of the new crop is below last year, the research laboratory of the board of grain commissioners reported.

This year the western Canadian flax crop was slightly above 2,000,000 bushels, the laboratory's report said, noting that it was the smallest crop since 1939.

It described the results of its sample survey as follows:

Analysis of average samples representing 717 carlots of flax inspected during the first three months of the season gave a mean oil content of 40.3 per cent. and a mean iodine value of 186 units. Corresponding figures for the complete 1948-49 crop year are 41.1 per cent. and 185 units.

A survey of the oil content, iodine value, and protein content of 354 samples of the first three grades of new-crop flax, representing 156 stations in Manitoba, 100 stations in Saskatchewan, and 21 stations in Alberta, gave the following mean values:

	Oil Content (%)	Iodine Value Units	Protein In Meal (%)
Manitoba	40.5	184	42.2
Saskatchewan	40.9	181	42.3
Alberta	41.7	188	40.1
Western Canada (1949)	40.7	183	42.0
Western Canada (1948)	42.3	184	40.5

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DESSERT BAKED APPLES

4 tart medium apples
8 apricot halves
½ cup sifted dry bread crumbs
½ cup brown sugar
¼ cup chopped nuts
1 cup apricot juice

Core apples and peel down halfway. Place in baking dish and fill cavities with apricots drained from juice. Mix bread crumbs, sugar and nuts together and pack on top and sides of apples. Pour apricot juice in bottom of dish. Bake in a moderate oven (350 deg. F.) until apples are tender and crusty. If not brown enough on top, place under broiler for a few minutes.

MINCE PIE

One recipe for pastry, 3 cups homemade or prepared mincemeat.

Prepare pastry. Fill with mincemeat. Cover with top crust. Bake in hot oven about 10 minutes. Reduce temperatures slightly and bake about 30 minutes longer. Particularly delicious served with cheese.

LITERARY COMPETITION

TORONTO.—A prize of $100 is offered by the women's club of Toronto in a literary competition open to any non-professional writer living in Canada. Essays on the subject "Building A United Canada", under 2,000 words long, are to be submitted before Feb. 1, 1950. 2358

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Measure into bowl, ½ cup lukewarm water, 1 teaspoon granulated sugar; stir until sugar is dissolved. Sprinkle with 1 envelope Fleischmann's Royal Fast Rising Dry Yeast. Let stand 10 minutes, THEN stir well. Scald ½ cup milk and stir in ¼ cup granulated sugar, ½ teaspoon salt, 3 tablespoons shortening; cool to lukewarm. Beat in 1 cup once-sifted bread flour. Add yeast mixture and 1 beaten egg; beat well. Work in 2½ cups once-sifted bread flour. Knead lightly; place in greased bowl and brush top with melted butter or shortening. Cover and set in warm place, free from draught. Let rise until doubled in bulk. Punch down dough and divide into 2 equal portions; form into smooth balls. Roll each piece into an oblong and fit into greased pans about 7" x 11". Grease tops, cover and let rise until doubled in bulk. Peel, core and cut 8 apples into thin wedges. Sprinkle risen dough with ½ cup granulated sugar and lightly press apple wedges into cake tops, sharp edges down and close together. Mix 1 cup granulated sugar and 1½ teaspoons cinnamon; sprinkle over apples. Cover and let rise about ½ hour. Bake in moderate oven, 350°, about 1 hour. Serve hot, with butter.

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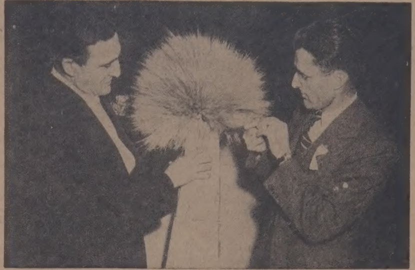
World Championship Barley Sheaf



This sheaf is part of the barley exhibit of John T. Elliuk, Hairy Hill, Alta., which won the world championship in the Seed and Grain Show at Canada's Royal Agricultural Winter Fair held recently in Toronto. The supervision of crop improvement for Alberta, J. E. Birdsall, and J. B. Cross, Calgary, inspect the sheaf.

West Is Fish And Game Paradise, Says Sask. Senator

OTTAWA.—"I remember one time . . .", began Senator Walter Aseltine of Rosetown, Sask., as he set about regaling the Ottawa Fish and Game Association with a succession of lively and informative sporting anecdotes.

His stories told at the Museum ranged from boyhood with a bamboo pole in Perth, to Big Trout Lake in Prince Albert National Park where the waters in his day contained no smaller lake trout than a 16-pounder.

For the many persons who looked upon Saskatchewan as a dry prairie province, Senator Aseltine revealed the fish and game paradise in the north, claiming for Lac La Ronge that it was the greatest fishing lake on the North American continent.

He compared the conservation projects now supported in Ontario with the work of "Ducks Unlimited", a society of American sportsmen who came to the rescue of the Saskatchewan town of Plenty. The lake dried up, the ducks and geese winged that way no more; until Ducks Unlimited began damming operations — then there were plenty of birds once more.

Senator Aseltine's five-point plan for conservation, with which he concluded, was: Stricter enforcement; sterner penalties; more sanctuaries; conservation education in the schools, and the enlistment of the women's interest and support.

He was introduced—and his camp-fried filleted pickerel highly commended—by Frank Wall, a companion on past fishing trips.

In a brief address President Erskine Smith said the association's 17th year had been as successful as its predecessors, and urged the continued protection of game fish and wild life, "now more than ever necessary."

The association had grown steadily from a membership of 200 in 1932, he revealed, to its present size, 1,100 strong.

ORCHESTRA MANAGER HAS HIS TROUBLES

VANCOUVER, B.C. — The biggest trouble with running an all-girl orchestra, Maurice Jackson will tell you, is finding replacements for the players who desert the saxophone for the sink.

Since his band—the only all-girl band in Canada—was formed in 1945, Mr. Jackson has lost 15 girls via the altar route. The girls all between 17 and 22, come from scattered points on the prairies and eastern Canada.

SASKATCHEWAN FARMS

The occupied farm area of Saskatchewan totals 59.4 million acres which is about half of the occupied farm land in the prairie provinces and about one-third of all Canada.

WINNER FOR MANITOBA EXHIBITOR—The above is a picture of the sow that won the grand championship in the Yorkshire class at the Royal Winter Fair, Toronto, for Carl Roberts and Son, of St. Adolphe, Man.

Western Briefs

Only Two Places

SWIFT CURRENT. — "There are only two places in western Canada that eastern children know much about, and they are Calgary and Swift Current, both famous for their rodeos." George Henderson, national vice-president of the Canadian Jaycee movement said in Swift Current.

New Re-Assessment Plan

WINNIPEG. — The new provincial re-assessment programme to be launched in southwestern Manitoba will be so intensive assessors will employ aerial photographs. The photographs will be of particular value in determining the cultivated and non-cultivated acreages and in mapping sloughs, pot holes, drainage channels and ravines. This information was contained in an address given recently by C. H. Chappell, provincial municipal assessor.

Airmen To Tour

REGINA. — Two Saskatchewan flight lieutenants will be among a class of students from the specialized air navigation school at Summerside, P.E.I., who will tour establishments in Canada. The two officers are O. S. Comishen, Regina, and E. J. Haugen, Pelly. Two Lancaster aircraft will be used to transport the class.

Crops Lean, Coyotes Fat

CORONATION, Alta.—Grain crops are lean in this district with cattle turned into some friends too poor harvesting. And farmers complain that the only flourishing crop are coyotes, who are preying on sheep and poultry.

Calling For Sheepherders

VANCOUVER. — If you like animals and the wide open spaces there's a job waiting for you in British Columbia — sheepherding. The B.C. Sheep Herders' association said the industry had to go as far afield as Spain for recruits.

Hopes Dimmed

CALGARY. — Hopes of George Sutherland, veteran Dewinton, Alta., athlete, of travelling to New Zealand with Canadian British Empire games team hit rock bottom. Sutherland said he received a telegram from team officials saying he "positively would only be on the team if he raised $1,000.

Self-Contained Village

ERMINE, Sask.—A self-contained village is being built in this village to house workmen building the interprovincial pipeline through this area. An airstrip, pumping station and sewer and water system are also being built.

Gay Night

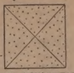
KIPLING, Sask. — It was a gay night when they celebrated James Sexsmith's 90th birthday recently. Mr. Sexsmith provided the entertainment—dancing to tunes played by fiddler John Craig, 89.

CANNON SHIELD UP FOR COMPETITION

BALDUR, Man.—Play for the Cannon Shield will be resumed between the Baldur, Belmont and Ninette Curling clubs.

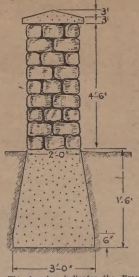
Donated by the Hon. Chas. Cannon for inter-club competition, play was suspended during the war years due to the fact that Belmont lacked a rink.

Solid Stone Gate Posts



PLAN VIEW OF TOP

HERE is a drawing of a square masonry gate post with a good foundation. Unless ground is very well drained a foundation of field stone in a hole would hardly be adequate for such a block of masonry. It is much better to make it of concrete, using a mixture of 1 part cement to 5 parts bank run gravel. To reduce the amount of concrete needed it is advisable to imbed field stones in the concrete, making sure, however, that all stones are completely surrounded by concrete. In a big footing like this, about half of the volume may consist of field stone. Mortar for the masonry can be made of 1 part cement and 1 part hydrated lime to 5 parts of clean, screened sand. The sloping sides on the foundation of these posts prevent frozen soil from getting a grip on the concrete, thus preventing lifting of the block when the soil heaves. The concrete cap for this post should be made of a 1-2-3 mixture of cement, sand and small pebbles. It is precast in a form then placed on the post.



The drawing indicates the dimensions for a stone gate post.

New Oil Refinery For Edmonton

Construction will get under way this spring in Edmonton on a 6,000-barrel-a-day oil refinery for British American Oil Co. Survey has commenced on the site which will be some four miles east of the city on the North Saskatchewan River. It is estimated that some 500 to 600 workers will be employed during the 12 to 14 months of construction work.

So far Imperial Oil Ltd. operates the only refinery at Edmonton although McColl-Frontenac has announced that construction will commence early next year on a $10 million refinery in the Edmonton area.

B.A. Oil already operates western refineries at Moose Jaw, Sask., and Calgary, Alta. No cost estimate is given on new plant.—The Financial Post.

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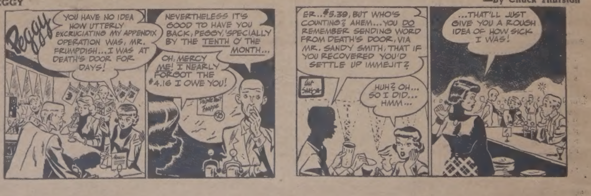
PEGGY

—By Chuck Thurston


Peggy
YOU HAVE NO IDEA HOW UTTERLY EXCRUCIATING MY APPENDIX OPERATION WAS, MR. FRUMPDISH...I WAS AT DEATH'S DOOR FOR DAYS!
NEVERTHELESS IT'S GOOD TO HAVE YOU BACK, PEGGY, 'SPECIALLY BY THE TENTH O' THE MONTH...
OH, MERCY ME! I NEARLY FORGOT THE $4.16 I OWE YOU!
ER...$5.39, BUT WHO'S COUNTING? AHEM...YOU DO REMEMBER SENDING WORD FROM DEATH'S DOOR, VIA MR. SANDY SMITH, THAT IF YOU RECOVERED YOU'D SETTLE UP IMMEJIT?
HUH? OH... SO I DID... HMM...
...THAT'LL JUST GIVE YOU A ROUGH IDEA OF HOW SICK I WAS!

New Industries All-Time High For Manitoba

WINNIPEG. — Manufacturing production in Manitoba will be an all-time high this year. Natural resources minister J. S. McDiarmid has estimated that by year's end it will reach a gross $483,000,000, 7½ per cent. above the 1948 record of $450,000,000.

Industries employ 42,000 and estimated gross wage earnings in 1949 will be about $87,000,000.

Forty new industries started operations, most of them comparatively small but their output accounts for part of the $33,000,000 increase over last year in gross volume of production.

Since rural electrification in Manitoba got under way, many of these industries established in small towns where over-all cost of operation is generally lower.

Another phase of the expansion picture has been the unusual number of British firms getting into the western market. In the last 12 months, Mr. McDiarmid said nearly 100 have established agencies and more than 95 per cent. of them are located in Winnipeg.

Mr. McDiarmid said developments indicate British manufacturers realize they must have representation in Western Canada if they hoped to sell their goods between Lakehead and the Rocky Mountains.

Sweeney Schriner Blames U.S. Fans For Today's Hockey

NORTH SYDNEY, N.S.—A former National Hockey League star blames the blood-and-thunder desire of United States fans for the "chippy" hockey now being played in Canada.

In an interview here, Dave (Sweeney) Schriner, coach of North Sydney Victorias of the Cape Breton Senior Hockey League, said there is far too much elbowing, high sticking and boarding in the three-team CBSHL.

The former high-scoring left winger with Toronto Maple Leafs and New York Americans said:

"It's the way most of the clubs are playing in the National Hockey League. And it's all because the fans in the United States demand bodily contact. In Canada, we used to be satisfied with fast, stylish hockey with the accent on passing. Now we want chippy hockey."

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3 c.w.	.49⅝
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2 feed	.42⅝
3 feed	.37⅝
Barley—	
No. 2 c.w. 6 row	.78
No. 3 c.w 6 row	.76
1 feed	.70
2 feed	.66
3 feed	.62
Rye—	
2 c.w.	1.34½
3 c.w.	1.29½
4 c.w.	1.24½
Egorty	1.16½
Flax—	
1 c.w.	3.50
2 c.w.	3.45
3 c.w.	3.30
4 c.w.	3.25

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1949

FREEDOM—OR IMPOSED DISCIPLINE

When the history of these times is written, some prominence will surely be given to the political choices offered to citizens of the North American continent, and of the methods used to hide the stark realities of the offerings. For example, a storm of controversy rose a while ago when a key speaker at the conference of social workers in Cleveland said that the welfare state is the alternative to the police state. Business men reacted. Their objections simmered down to three main points:

1. *"The welfare state is not an alternative."* It is simply an early stage of the police state itself—where the state begins to exercise supremacy over the individual and finds it has to impose more discipline. Freedom fades.

2. *"The welfare state does not bring welfare."* Unless a weak backbone is strengthened by work, a full stomach simply gives curvature of the spine. Santa Claus government, which gives men security in relation to their needs or desires, but regardless of their contribution to society, is demoralizing.

3. *"The welfare state does not create security."* Political restrictions brought on the American, French and Russian revolutions. Moral laxity brought the downfall of many civilizations. Curbing freedom and sapping moral fibre makes society insecure.

Inspired democracy gives the answer to the welfare state, because the real alternative to any imposed discipline is self-discipline. Even this restricts freedom unless, in Lincoln's words, it is "freedom under God"—a discipline that is inspired rather than imposed. "If men will not be governed by God," said William Penn, "they condemn themselves to be governed by tyrants."

The morality on which true welfare rests is shaped by the convictions born when God speaks to a man's heart—not by the automatic state-controlled or privately-operated machinations of a welfare vending machine.

—New World News Agency.

THEY PAY TEN MILLION

The oil revenues pouring into the coffers of the provincial government are very gratifying. Plenty of nice things are being said about the oil companies who are paying large sums into the treasury in return for the oil they get and sell.

We'd like to put in a word for the Alberta people who buy and use the oil.

During the first six months of the present fiscal year, the oil companies have paid $1,553,499 to the government in royalties. Alberta motor vehicle owners in the same period paid the government $5,430,852.76 in fuel oil taxes. The oil companies paid $3,249,956.45 in fees and rentals for the right to carry on exploration on potential oil lands which cover practically the whole of the province. The motor car owners in the same six months paid $5,346,106.60 for motor vehicle licenses for the right to drive their cars and trucks in the province.

So the oil companies paid $4,803,555.76 in royalties, fees and rentals, while the motor car owners paid $10,776,959.36 in taxes and for licenses. We think the motor vehicle owner should get some of the credit that is flying around.

Of course, the oil companies paid another $10,233,501 for 21-year leases on proven oil land. But that was a sale of capital asset. It should not be regarded as current income, but spread over the life of the lease. And the companies got for their money an asset worth many, many times what they paid for it.

We don't want to choke off the cheers for the fellows who are paying the province for the oil they get and sell. But we think the motor vehicle owners, who buy and use oil, would be justified in risking dislocation of their shoulders by patting themselves on the back for the huge contribution they make to the province's revenues.

—The People's Weekly.

Local and District

R. L. Tiffin was in Delia over last week end.

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Hugh McLaren was a visitor to Calgary this week.

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John Dmytruk was a visitor to Calgary on Friday last.

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Miss Norma Stoness, teacher at Rosedale, is home on the sick list.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Fitzsimmons motored to Vegreville and Edmonton last week.

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Mrs. Venus, who has been visiting friends in Delia, returned to her home in Hanna Tuesday.

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Miss E. Eberly, nurse-in-training at Calgary, visited with her parents over the week end.

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Mrs. B. Pierce left by bus on Monday evening for a vacation with her daughter at Penticton, B.C.

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Rev. and Mrs. E. Davidge motored to Edmonton the forepart of last week, returning on Saturday.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. Portfors and daughter, of Hanna, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Gibson on Sunday.

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Mrs. R. L. Tiffin, and daughter, Mardy, of Calgary, are home visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Stoness.

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There will be a shower for Miss Margaret McNair on Saturday, December 10th, at the home of Mrs. Frank De Mott. Everyone invited.

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A break in the fine weather of the past month occurred on Monday when the wind changed to the southeast. The day was uncomfortably cold until the wind died down at nightfall. A light sprinkling of snow fell during the early hours of Tuesday, but cleared up later and the sun began to break through.

Sunbeam News

Mr. and Mrs. George Cosens motored to Oyen last Sunday, and spent the day at the Rutherford home.

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Mr. and Mrs. Art. Nelson, Mrs. Annie Tario, and Miss Eileen Martin, spent last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Martin, of Leo.

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Mr. and Mrs. Willis Nelson, were guests on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Miles, of Enterprise.

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Miss Mabel Smith, of Drumheller, spent last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nelson.

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Gordon Caswell, from Calgary, was a visitor in this district last week.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Smith motored to Byemoor last Sunday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Martin.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lowe and daughter Audrey, and Mrs. Annie Tario of Michichi, spent Monday evening at the Nelson home.

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Mr. and Mrs. Norvan Boon, and little daughter Donna, were visitors at the Sargent home on Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lawrence, from Drumheller, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Hunter last Sunday.

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Mr. Wilbert Tilley spent a few days in Stettler last week.

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Calgary visitors during the week were Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Chambers, and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cuncannon.

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Mrs. Percy Robinson and daughter Leila, left for Calgary on Friday morning, and will continue their journey to Pasadena, California, on Sunday.

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Mr. Hugh McCollum, from Houston, Texas, was a caller at the Nelson home on Thursday.

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Mr. Jim Skelton from Calgary, and Miss Leila Robinson, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clif. Chambers on Sunday last.

Farmers Are Good Borrowers

The annual report of the Farm Loan Board for the year ended March 31, 1949, has just been issued. The Board is a dominion government agency making mortgage loans to farmers, and has been in operation for over 20 years.

The report shows that during the year, $4,919.300 was approved for loans. This is an increase of 42 per cent over the previous year, and is the largest annual volume of business transacted by the Board in the last 12 years. Since 1929 the Board has lent over $65,000,000 to Canadian farmers, and its current investment in farm mortgages exceeds $24,000,000.

The general economic condition of the farming community is reflected in the fact that approximately 96 per cent of all first mortgage borrowers from the Board had no interest arrears at the end of the fiscal year. Interest arrears at March 31, 1949, equalled only 0.217 per cent of principal outstanding, being the lowest percentage of interest arrears to principal in the Board's history.

Board officials state that there is a noticeable trend toward larger farms particularly in the prairie provinces, and that over a third of the money being borrowed is being used to buy farms or additional farm land. They also say that a good proportion of current borrowing is for the purchase of livestock and implements, and to make farm improvements in contrast to the situation a few years ago, when much of the money borrowed was used to pay accumulated debts.

The Board makes first mortgage loans up to $5,000 at 4½ per cent, repayable over a period up to 25 years. The Board may make additional advances to bring the total loans up to $6,000 in certain circumstances. Loans are made to pay debts, buy livestock and equipment, and farm lands, and to erect and repair buildings and make other improvements.

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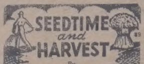

SEEDTIME and HARVEST

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Training for Citizenship

The Junior Farm Club program, by conspicuous achievement, has attained a prominent position in Canadian agriculture. It has rendered a service to farm youth, and through them to the industry as a whole, that warrants recognition.

Club work for rural youth is an important part of agricultural extension programs both in Canada and the United States. It is a voluntary educational movement designed to provide, through organized clubs, practical training in agriculture, homemaking and citizenship. It is not a substitute for formal educaion as provided in our schools, but rather an important supplement to it.

Objectives Achieved. By studying and demonstrating approved practices in agriculture and homemaking, club members have helped to raise the standard of farm production and to improve living conditions in the home. This in itself is quite an accomplishment but by no means the only measure of success. From the very beginning this youth program has sought to develop in the members, a greater appreciation of good citizenship.

By working with others, by gaining experience in the art of self expression, by learning parliamentary procedure, by holding office and serving on committees, club members are developing initiative, tolerance and understanding. These are experiences which prepare young people for greater service to the community.

Leadership Important. This program would not be possible without the devoted service of hundreds of voluntary adult leaders. These leaders have been the great driving force behind the success of the movement. With over a million farm youth of club age in Canada, and less than 50,000 enrolled in Clubs for the current year, there are still great opportunities for expansion and development.

Any organization which is developing in young people a greater appreciation of rural life and progressive agriculture, is performing a valuable function for the nation and deserves the support and goodwill of all.

The Line Elevator Companies associated with this Department offer sincere congratulations to Provincial Extension Services, club leaders, and all others responsible for this program of basic training for citizenship.

RADIO

The following are among the high lights of programs to be heard over CBC stations on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, December 8, 9, 10, and 11. All times mentioned are Mountain Standard Time.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

5:00	p.m.	Bernard Braden.
5:15	"	Tony the Troubadour.
5:30	"	Forest Ranger.
5:45	"	CBC News.
6:00	"	Yesterday's Bands.
6:30	"	Arthur Godfrey.
7:00	"	John and Judy.
7:30	"	Wayne and Shuster.
8:00	"	CBC National News.
8:15	"	News Roundup.
8:30	"	Eventide.
9:00	"	Citizens' Forum.
9:45	"	Talk.
10:00	"	Winnipeg Drama.
10:30	"	Vancouver Concert.
11:00	"	CBC News.
11:10	"	Weather.
11:15	"	Open Hearing.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9

5:00	p.m.	Bernard Braden.
5:15	"	Ed. McCurdy.
5:30	"	Sleepy Time Story Teller.
5:45	"	CBC News.
6:00	"	Henry Morgan.
6:30	"	Music From Alberta.
6:45	"	Sports Review.
7:00	"	Ray Norris Quintet.
7:30	"	Beat the Champs.
8:00	"	CBC National News.
8:15	"	News Roundup.
8:30	"	Toronto Pop Concert.
9:30	"	Vancouver Drama.
10:00	"	Music by Eric Wild.
10:30	"	The Two Islands.
10:45	"	Canadian Short Stories.
11:00	"	CBC News.
11:10	"	Weather.
11:15	"	Northern Messenger.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

5:00	p.m.	Armdale Chorus.
5:15	"	Memo From Lake Success.
5:30	"	Sports College.
5:45	"	Wes McKnight.
6:00	"	Music From Films.
6:30	"	Prairie Schooner.
7:00	"	CBC News.
7:05	"	N.H.L. Hockey.
8:30	"	Organ Music.
9:00	"	Share the Wealth.
9:30	"	Current and Choice.
10:00	"	Byng Whitteker.
10:30	"	A Song In The Air.
11:00	"	CBC News.
11:10	"	Weather.
11:15	"	Harmonaires.
11:30	"	Dal Richards.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

5:30	p.m.	The Happy Time.
6:00	"	Sir Thomas Beecham.
7:00	"	Stage 50.
8:00	"	CBC National News.
8:10	"	Weekend Review.
8:20	"	Our Special Speaker.
8:30	"	Little Symphonies.
9:00	"	Makers of Music.
9:45	"	John Fisher.
10:00	"	Vancouver String Orchestra.
10:30	"	Vesper Hour.
11:00	"	CBC News.
11:10	"	Weather.
11:15	"	A Canadian Discovers Canada.
11:30	"	Prelude to Midnight.

DRUMHELLER MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL

Sale of Special Contracts

Special Contracts will be sold to non-ratepayers resident within the boundaries of the hospital district who are desirous of obtaining the $1.00 per day rate, and reduced rates for extra services for themselves and their immediate dependents in the hospital at Drumheller. A person earning as much as the minimum wage is classed as a non-ratepayer unless he is a property owner or holder of a Special Contract.

Sale of these contracts will begin immediately, and will continue until **December 20, 1949.** The Contracts will become effective **January 1, 1950**, and will remain in force until **December 31, 1950**. They may be purchased at the business office of the hospital at Drumheller for the sum of **$14.00**.

Remittances may be made by mail. Any further particulars may be obtained from the business office at the Hospital.

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